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## The Red Cross

THE accusation by the spokesmen of the International Red Cross that Israel had abused the organization's confidence by using force to capture the hijacked Sabena aircraft last week was curious when first uttered. It is all the more curious in the light of Mr. Dayan's refutation. The Defence Minister has stated in detail that he declined to give any assurances to the Red Cross representative at the airport that force would not be used, and on the contrary made it clear that if necessary the army would be called in to save the lives of the passengers. Moreover, he said that if the Red Cross official felt he could not operate in such circumstances he was free to withdraw.

When asked by this newspaper's correspondent in Paris where the Red Cross felt it had obtained such an assurance, the organization's spokesman in Geneva referred to a report from Israel by the French news agency. That report, it turns out, speculated before the Cabinet meeting Tuesday morning, that the Prime Minister was against using force.

Reference to such a source as the basis for the Red Cross' official response to Israel's action betrays on the inside.

What is involved, of course, is the Red Cross' concern to maintain its status of neutrality. This neutrality is the condition which permits it to function as a world of political conflict, to intervene for strictly humanitarian ends in the clashes between nations in which humanitarian considerations are in the very nature of things given low priority.

It is open to question, however, whether the Red Cross' vehement response to Israel's action is necessary to preserve such neutrality, and whether it is indeed necessary to dispatch a man from Geneva to Beirut to "explain" the Red Cross position.

Groups who espouse a policy of air piracy, who are intent on using civilian passengers and civilian airlines as hostages for political purposes, are by definition not engaged in the modes of conflict for which Red Cross principles were traditionally suited. For terrorist piracy seeks to exploit the Red Cross' humanitarian concern for hostages to achieve its own political ends.

In the Sabena incident the hijackers called in the Red Cross not to facilitate communication — the radio contact between the plane and the control was adequate for that — but to facilitate and implement an exchange of hostages for prisoners.

Mediation in such a situation is different from clearing the wounded or visiting war prisoners in a battlefield or visiting war prisoners of enemies in their prison camps. It involves the implementation of an outrage. It is done, of course, in an effort to minimize the human toll, but the exchange itself is the telling political act.

It is precisely such an exchange which Israel was determined to prevent for the grave consequences it would have on all air travel to this country, and elsewhere as well.

Moreover, once it was clear that the hijackers refused safe passage out of the country for themselves alone, humanitarian consideration itself meant freeing the hostages held in Israel, and not permitting the hijackers to carry the passengers, including 35 Israelis and Jews, to an Arab airport.

Perhaps, as some of the Red Cross statements from Geneva themselves imply, it is time for the organization to rethink its mode of operation in the face of terrorist warfare exploiting civilian hostages.

Rather than attacking Israel, which last week struck a blow against hijacking, and rather than trucking to piracy, the international organization might consider whether its very concern to maintain neutrality in situations involving inhuman political blackmail does not compromise the very principles which it seeks to serve.

## Dutch visit

THE visit to Israel of Holland's Foreign Minister, Norbert Schmelzer, and the warm atmosphere in which his talks with Mr. Eban were held, come as a reaffirmation of Holland's longstanding friendship for the Jewish People and their State.

From the days of the Marranos and the Spanish Inquisition through the 1930s — until Hol- land itself was overrun by the Nazis — Holland was one of the places where Jews could look to for safe haven. Since the to for safe haven. Since the establishment of the State of Israel, the Netherlands has been one of those countries which has consistently supported Israel in both in international forums and in countless other ways.

In a world where friendships and alliances are often volatile, Holland's steadfastness is all the more valued.

## Dayan turns down I.R.C. allegations

Jerusalem Post Staff  
TEL AVIV. — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday emphatically denied International Red Cross allegations that Israel had exploited the presence of the Red Cross delegates at Lod to take the hijacked Sabena plane.

Mr. Dayan pointed out that the Red Cross delegates had come in response to a demand by the terrorists. He denied that he had given any promise at any stage not to use force to take the plane while Red Cross officials were in the area. He added that he had said he would try not to use force unless a situation developed which would make it "most essential."

Mr. Dayan said the Red Cross representatives had brought him a list from the hijackers of 808 terrorists imprisoned in Israel whom they wanted set free.

"When the Red Cross delegates arrived in the morning," said Mr. Dayan, "they asked us to withdraw our soldiers from the field. We refused. When they said they could not function like that, I told them: 'Listen, inside the plane there are terrorists with explosives, grenades and pistols — and you are asking us to withdraw the army as if this were a medical supply plane or something like that. It is impossible, we will not withdraw the soldiers.'"

"They said they could not operate in that way, and we told them, 'That's your privilege.' They asked to consult with their headquarters in Geneva. After the consultation, they returned with an alternative demand — that we undertake not to activate the army and not to use force so long as they were operating in the area.

"To this I again gave a clear-cut negative reply. I explained that we were aware of the extent of the danger to the passengers should we operate inside the aircraft. Unless we saw the matter as most essential we would not use force. But should there be a situation where we considered that the matter was absolutely essential, we would use force even if they (the Red Cross delegates) were inside the plane, even if my daughter, my children,

were inside the plane." In reply to a question, Mr. Dayan said the Sabena pilot was not let into the secret of the operation. "Captain Levy had carried out in the most devoted manner his job as the man responsible for the passengers," said Mr. Dayan.

"He asked us to do everything possible to ensure their safety. He also explained to the terrorists the true fact that the breakdown in the plane could be repaired.

"I don't know how he explained to them the reason for the breakdown of the plane, but he did say that it could be repaired and that it would take time. That is, he did not shut off the possibility of taking off from the field should they arrive at a settlement with us, and he did not tell them that it was a minor repair that could be fixed in two minutes. This presentation of the real situation was important to us because ultimately the 'technicians' had to reach the plane."

In reply to another question, the Defence Minister said he did not believe the operation should have been advanced. "Even from a technical point of view it was clear to us that the more time we had the better our preparations would be. I don't think that at any earlier stage we could have brought 17 technicians to the plane."

"The same applied to the reaction of the terrorists: we had to prevent them from getting into a hysterical or fanatic frame of mind, and to encourage them in some kind of faith that matters would work themselves out — to deceive them on this in order to arrive at the best possible moment. So long as we did not fear that they were on the verge of blowing up the plane, or of taking off, we could plan on developments in the direction of improvement in the situation. I think everyone agrees that the conditions prevailing at 4:30 p.m. did not prevail before."

The Defence Minister also said that every failure of the terrorist organizations discouraged rather than spurred them on.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban also noted yesterday that the I.R.C. delegates had hurried to Lod in (Continued on Page 12, Col. 1)

## Israel 'exploited emblem,' Red Cross charges

By JACK MAURICE  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent  
GENEVA. — The International Committee of the Red Cross claimed here on Friday that the Israeli troops who recovered the hijacked Belgian airliner at Lod airport exploited the emblem of the Red Cross during their attack.

A spokesman for the Red Cross alleged that the Israelis, disguised as airport mechanics, launched their attack while a Red Cross delegate was standing nearby.

But the Red Cross official denied Arab reports that the Israelis drove to the hijacked Sabena Boeing-707 in a vehicle bearing a Red Cross symbol.

The Red Cross spokesman said the organization's delegate drove out in his car towards the plane, followed by vehicles which were carrying food for the passengers, a generator and other equipment for servicing the Boeing. Then, according to the spokesman, the Red Cross delegate stood near the aircraft's tail. From there he saw the Israeli "mechanics" arrive and three of the plane's crew disembark and pretend to frisk the Israelis.

At this point, the soldiers produced firearms from their boots and stormed aboard the plane, where they killed the two men among the four hijackers and wounded one of the two girls who was holding a detonator.

Mr. Peter Kuhn, the International Red Cross' chief spokesman, told The Jerusalem Post: "We consider the Israelis abused our confidence in this affair. Since our delegate became involved in seeking a solution (Continued on Page 11, Col. 3)

## President rejects new Turkish government

ANKARA (Reuters). — President Cevdet Sunay yesterday rejected a new Turkish cabinet put forward by the Prime Minister-designate, Mr. Suat Hayri Ugruplu, an official announcement said.

It said Mr. Ugruplu's proposed government was turned down because it was not in accordance with political demands put by the country's military leaders in an ultimatum in March last year.

## Ben-Aharon boycott

## Meir bid to avert strike

By MARK SEGAL and YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporters  
TEL AVIV. — Prime Minister Golda Meir was making a last-minute effort last night to stave off today's scheduled strike in the canning industry, which threatens to lead to a nation-wide industrial lock-out.

Mrs. Meir presided over a top-level meeting at her office in the Kirya here of Economic Ministers, industrialists and trade union leaders, in an attempt to break the deadlock.

Present were Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, Labour Minister Almozi and Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev; the employers' delegation was led by Mr. Mark Mosevics and the Chairman of the Manufacturers Association's Labour Committee, Mr. Zalman Suzayev, with the Histadrut contingent led by Mr. Abrahamowicz and Mr. Bar-Haim.

Demonstratively absent from the meeting was Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon. This was in line with his refusal to take part in any meetings initiated by Cabinet ministers to mediate in the industrial dispute.

Circles close to his ex-Ahdu Ha'avoda wing of the Labour Party reported that Mr. Ben-Aharon spelled out his strong opposition to Government intervention to his associates before returning for the weekend to his kibbutz, Gan Haim (Meuhad) (which incidentally owns one of the largest canning plants in the country).

Mr. Ben-Aharon on Friday morning boycotted the first of a series of meetings initiated by Labour Minister Yosef Almozi at his Tel Aviv office in the Shalom Towers.

Manufacturers Association President Mark Mosevics was obliged to sit down with No. 3 man in the Histadrut hierarchy, Histadrut trade union head Uriel Abrahamowicz, in what was a fruitless attempt to work out a compromise.

Mr. Ben-Aharon made an unprecedented attack on Mr. Almozi's mediation bid when addressing the Histadrut Central Committee's emergency session on Friday morning. The bluntness in the employers' hearts that they need not settle with the (Continued on Page 12, Col. 3)

## Red Crescent talks with I.R.C.

By ANAN SAFADI  
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter  
The Beirut-based headquarters of the Fatah said yesterday that a senior representative of the International Red Cross was holding "important talks" with the "Palestine Red Crescent" in the Lebanese capital over the weekend.

It said that a Red Cross delegate had arrived from Geneva on Thursday to provide "an explanation" of the role played by the Red Cross during Israel's raid on the Sabena airliner at Lod airport.

The Fatah did not name the delegate but Arab news media identified him as Mr. Mordoux, in charge of the Information Bureau at the Geneva headquarters.

In Beirut Reuters reported that several thousand men and women marched in a token funeral here yesterday for the two terrorists killed by the Israelis.

Two empty coffins draped with the Palestinian flag were borne by the marchers.

## U.S. COPTERS AIRLIFT TROOPS

## Saigon units take three towns in counter-attack



U.S. Marine helicopters land to pick up South Vietnamese Marines north of Hue yesterday for counter-attack into Quang Tri area. It marked the first recommitment of the U.S. Marines to war since their withdrawal more than a year ago. (AP radiophoto)

## Soviet freighters keep away from Haiphong

WASHINGTON (AP). — Communist freighters are still staying several hundred miles away from Haiphong harbour, sealed off by U.S. minefields, Admiral Thomas H. Moorer, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, indicated yesterday.

Moorer said in an interview that the closest freighter was in the South China Sea, about on a line with the demilitarized zone separating North and South Vietnam.

This would suggest that the Russians and other countries with ships bound towards North Vietnam have no immediate intention to challenge the U.S. mine barrier, placed in the entrances of Haiphong, North Vietnam's chief port, and six other smaller ports.

Moorer said there had been no significant ship movements since a Pentagon spokesman reported on Friday that several merchant ships heading for North Vietnamese ports apparently had changed course.

## 25 SHIPS AT SEA

An estimated 25 Russian and other vessels have been reported en route to North Vietnam, but officials have refused to pinpoint their locations. These ships were at sea when President Nixon ordered the U.S. mining operation.

Asked whether the Communists may have decided to outflank the mine barrier and land cargo in southern Chinese ports, Moorer said, "that's an alternative."

He said the Chinese would have to agree to this and to supply rail-road rolling stock to carry the diverted cargoes into North Vietnam by train.

Asked about Soviet fleet movements, Moorer said there are several Soviet cruisers and destroyers in the Sea of Japan. He indicated no great concern about this because these are normal operating waters for the Soviet Pacific fleet based in Vladivostok. He said there were no Soviet fleet units reported headed for the Gulf of Tonkin.

In Tokyo, the Defence Agency said yesterday that a Soviet cruiser and a missile-carrying destroyer were seen steaming southward through the narrow straits of Tsushima, separating Japan from the Korean peninsula. They were the first Soviet naval vessels seen passing through the straits southward bound since the Indo-Pakistan conflict last December.

Meanwhile, President Nixon conferred with Dr. Henry Kissinger at the Camp David mountain retreat yesterday, a White House spokesman said.

SAIGON. — South Vietnamese troops airlifted into battle by U.S. Marine Corps helicopters recaptured three towns in Communist-held Quang Tri province yesterday in their first major counter-attack against the North Vietnamese offensive.

The 17 Marine helicopters, drawn back into the war for the first time in more than a year, put a force of about 1,700 Government troops on the northern side of the My Chanh River, and in the first hours of fighting the forces seized the towns of Hia Lang, Thon Hoi Yen and Thon Van Tri about eight kms. north of the river and nine kms. south of the provincial capital of Quang Tri.

The helicopter-borne force was backed by another 550-man force that pushed into the area on the ground. The My Chanh River has been South Vietnam's northernmost defence line since Quang Tri fell to the Communists on May 1 during the fourth week of their offensive.

Field reports said about 340 North Vietnamese troops were killed and at least three of their PZ76 tanks knocked out in the initial stages of the counter-offensive. South Vietnamese casualties were at least eight dead and 22 wounded.

One of the Marine helicopters crashed because of mechanical problems in the operation, the reports said, but there were no casualties. Nine American advisers were reported to be accompanying the South Vietnamese forces.

The South Vietnamese troops set up landing zones for the helicopters at Hia Lang and Thon Hoi Yen after recapturing the towns. Pilots of U.S. forward air control planes, who spotted the area for a massive pounding by warplanes and ships firing from off the coast prior to the airlift, reported Communist forces withdrawing from the battle area to the north and the west.

The main pressure-point of the southern part of North Vietnam's 45-day-old offensive continued to be An Loc, 95 kms. north-west of Saigon. Military sources there reported that Communist troops had established a "salient" into the town during the day with two tanks and an estimated 300 men threatening bunker government positions.

A massive attack of 21 B-52 missions against North Vietnamese troop concentrations north of An Loc throughout Thursday night and a further six in the 24 hours up to noon yesterday in the same area apparently left the Communist forces undaunted.

The North Vietnamese, who have lobbed more than 11,000 shells into An Loc over the past three days, launched a renewed tank-led attack from all directions around dawn yesterday but military sources said the first attacks were repulsed (Mass evacuation — Page 2)

## AFTER MIDNIGHT

At least 118 people died in a fire that swept a department store in Osaka, Japan, last night. (Earlier story — Page 2)

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**Social and Personal**

The President and Mrs. Shazar on Friday received Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, the City Councilors and senior officials of the Municipality, on the occasion of Jerusalem Day.

Transport Minister Shimon Peres met with Mr. W. Kasiris, president of the Belgian Transport Union, at his office in Tel Aviv on Friday.

Professor Albert Sabin, president of the Weizmann Institute, and his fiancée, Heloise Dunshee de Abranches, gave a dinner yesterday in honour of Brazilian publisher Adolfo Bloch and his wife, who are here for the dedication of a geophysics observatory in Mr. Bloch's name, near Silat. Also present at the dinner were Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, Deputy Finance Minister and Mrs. Zvi Dinstein, the Brazilian Ambassador and Mrs. Luiz de Almeida Nogueira Porto, U.S. Air Force General (ret.) and Mrs. Bernard Schriever, O/C Southern Command Alut Ariel Sharon and Mrs. Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Weislag, and Sir Isaac and Lady Wolfson.

Dr. William Hagerty, president of Drexel University, Philadelphia, and Mrs. Hagerty and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stein of Philadelphia on Friday visited the Hebrew University and were received by the vice-president, Prof. E.D. Bergmann.

The Ivory Coast Ambassador to Israel, Mr. Anoma Kanie, visited the Ort Lebowitz school in Netanya last week and was received by Ort's general manager in Israel, Mr. Joseph Charmatz.

Mr. Joseph Klarman, head of Youth Aliya, on Friday gave a luncheon in honour of Mr. Joseph Stone of Cape Town, South Africa.

Deputy Histradrut Secretary-General Teruhim Meshel on Friday met with the director of the Youth Department of the West German Confederation of Labour (D.G.B.), Mr. Franz Woschek.

The Independent Liberal Party held a festive meeting on Friday in honour of the 85th birthday of its party president and the former Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen.

Fashionable Furs — of course at Rosen's Fur Salon, 72 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv, Tel. 615990. Open all day. Highly exclusive models. (Advt.)

**Soviets in Damascus: MORE WEAPONS FOR SYRIANS**

DAMASCUS. — Soviet Defence Minister Andrei Grechko has signed general agreements providing for increased Russian military aid to the Syrian armed forces during his visit here, Soviet sources said last night. The sources made the disclosure as Marshal Grechko prepared to leave for Cairo today. The Soviet Minister and a 14-man delegation held four days of talks here on closer military cooperation between the two countries.

Earlier, Syria had hinted that it will get new shipments of Soviet arms but ruled out the possibility of signing of a treaty of friendship and cooperation with the Soviet Union.

The hint came at a reception given by the Soviet Embassy in Damascus for Marshal Grechko. Damascus Radio quoted Syrian Defence Minister Maj.-Gen. Mustafa Tlas as saying at the reception that Grechko's visit "will undoubtedly help increase the fighting capabilities of our armed forces." He added: "But in its struggle, our people depend primarily on its own strength, while being sure of support from friendly countries and particularly the socialist countries and the Soviet Union."

The "Al-Nahar" newspaper reported yesterday that Syria has refused to sign a friendship and cooperation treaty with the Soviets despite continued pressure from Moscow to do so.

The Soviet Union signed a friendship and cooperation treaty with Iraq on April 9. A similar treaty was signed with Egypt, Syria's partner in the Federal Arab Republic, last year.

At the reception, Grechko described his talks with Syrian President Hafez Assad as satisfactory and said they will help strengthen friendship and cooperation between the peoples and the armed forces of the two countries.

**ALL MEANS**  
He said Israel's disregard of the U.N. resolutions has increased the gravity of the situation in the region and added that the Arabs have the right to use all means to restore their lands from Israel, the radio said.

On Friday, Grechko toured the Syrian-Israeli cease-fire line area in the Golan Heights, Damascus Radio reported. He was accompanied by Gen. Tlas, the Soviet Ambassador to Damascus and a number of top Syrian Army officers.

"An Nahar" said the issue was carefully discussed at all levels of the Ba'ath leadership during recent months and "the party leadership unanimously decided against it. The Syrian decision was conveyed to the Soviet Government very politely." (Reuter, AP)

**CANADIAN OFFICIAL RETURNS: Much of Hanoi said evacuated**

SAIGON (AP). — Much of Hanoi has been evacuated, a Canadian official said here on Friday.

"A major evacuation of residents has taken place," said David Jackson of the International Control Commission, who makes periodic trips to Hanoi. "It has been going on since the outset of recent hostilities."

Mr. Jackson said that foreign missions in Hanoi had been advised to be prepared to evacuate. All missions are still there, he said, but most have evacuated their dependents.

He said he had no precise figures on Hanoi's population prior to the evacuation. "There is a lot of disagreement," he said, "but it was somewhere between 800,000 and 1.3 million."

"The city is not as busy as usual," said Mr. Jackson. "What little industry there is has been affected." He said there are still some North Vietnamese government offices remaining in Hanoi but not all of them. "The greater the fear, the more complete the measures," he added.

U.S. fighter-bombers have struck the Hanoi area three times since the North Vietnamese launched an invasion into South Vietnam on March 30. The U.S. command has maintained that only military targets outside of the city proper have been hit. The North Vietnamese claim that the city has been attacked.

Mr. Jackson said there is no evidence to indicate that any of the central areas inside Hanoi have come under bombing attack. He said, however, the Canadian delegation does not circulate outside of the city.

North Vietnam said on Friday that the extensive dike system in its four southern provinces had been seriously damaged by U.S. bombing and must be repaired before the summer flood season. Hanoi assigned top civilian priority to repairing the damage and top home defence military priority to protecting the dikes against further U.S. air raids.

The official "Nhan Dan" daily, in a Vietnamese language directive broadcast by Radio Hanoi, said American bombers had knocked out or seriously weakened dikes in many areas in District 4, the area, ranging from about 135 kms. south of Hanoi down to the Demilitarized Zone, is hit by heavy rains and extensive flooding every summer.

In Moscow, Tass reported that protest meetings against the U.S. bombing of North Vietnam were held aboard all Soviet steamers port of Haiphong. "The steamer wrathfully demanded that the bombings of North Vietnam be stopped," the news agency said, quoting the newspaper "Water Transport" (Vodny Transport).

There was no report that Soviet ships were hit.

**Bombing halt report**

PARIS (AP). — The newspaper "La Figaro" reported from Moscow yesterday that the U.S. will halt bombing of North Vietnam by B52s as well as naval bombardment of the country, during President Nixon's trip to Moscow.

Correspondent Robert Lacontre, without citing the source of his information, wrote that the Russians have received assurances of the halt from Mr. Nixon. The President is scheduled to visit the Soviet Union beginning May 22.

"It is less sure," Lacontre wrote, "that Moscow has obtained a conciliatory gesture from North Vietnam, for example that they refrain from attacking in force at that time."

A spokesman for the U.S. delegation to the Paris peace talks said he had no comment on the "Figaro" report.

**MCGOVERN WARNS**

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Senator George McGovern, a contender for the Democratic presidential nomination, yesterday warned that the Soviet Union might retaliate in the Middle East or other regions against the American mining of North Vietnamese harbours.

"Mr. Nixon has placed the Soviet Union in a position where it may feel it necessary to retaliate against American moves in some other parts of the world and that reaction may endanger the already precarious situation in the Middle East," the South Dakota Senator said.

In a speech prepared for campaign rallies in Maryland, Senator McGovern said, "There is a twin danger to Israel in the escalation of the war in South-East Asia."

"The first is that the Russians may increase tensions in the Middle East, and second is that the American people will allow their revulsion for the war in Indo-China to debilitate their spirit, cloud their judgement and render them unable to carry out the nation's responsibilities to Israel."

COPENHAGEN (Reuter). — Three former Danish Government Ministers and a group of Members of Parliament have appealed to Poland to grant an exit visa to Second World War Polish master spy, Leopold Trepper.

Trepper's eldest son, Michael, a university lecturer here, is on the fifth day of a fast outside the Resistance Museum with a banner reading "Let my father go."

He says his father's fifth appeal to go to Israel has just been rejected. The former ministers and M.P.s said in a declaration that although they represented widely different political views, they shared a joint desire "to see this sick man, who is seriously weakened by the trials he has undergone in his fight for justice and freedom, reunited with his family outside Poland, including Denmark."

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**Uganda-Sudan border opened**  
KAMPALA (UPI). — President Idi Amin on Friday opened Uganda's frontier with the Sudan, closed three years ago after alleged incursions into this country by Sudanese troops.

"We in Africa must strengthen our relations and solve our problems for ourselves," Amin said, after cutting the tape stretched across the border at the Onyama River.

**Cables in brief**  
TRAFFIC. — Nearly half the West German boys who die before they are 15 are killed in accidents — most of them traffic — according to insurance company statistics.

**HAIR.** This immigration men have been ordered to keep out long-haired and hippie-style foreigners who refuse to have a haircut at the barber shop at Bangkok's airport.

**BANGLADESH.** — Spain has decided to open diplomatic relations with Bangladesh at ambassador level, the Spanish Foreign Ministry has announced. It did not say when the decision would be put into effect.

**SPEAKER.** — Mr. Kamel el-Assad, deputy for South Lebanon, has been elected Speaker of the new 99-member Parliament, with 87 votes.

**Angry father canes son's headmistress**  
ILKESTON, England (UPI). — A school headmistress refused to punish his son with a cane. So he caned the headmistress.

The story was told when Brian Draper, 37-year-old father of seven children, was jailed last week for six months for assault. He pleaded innocent.

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# 'Creating the conditions' to free the hijacked plane: Dayan

General Dayan, you spent 21 hours at the airport this week, all the time that the Sabena plane was held by the hijackers. What did you feel during those 21 hours? I felt that the point was not to make a right decision, but to create a situation that would enable us to free the passengers. I never thought during these hours that the question was just to take a decision one way or another. It was not the case. The case was to build up a situation in which the danger of using force would be a minimum one, or that we should have a chance to get the passengers without using force.

Did you at any point consider giving in to the hijackers' demand to release Arab terrorists imprisoned in Israel in exchange for the passengers and crew of the plane? No, not for a moment.

What then was the question? The question was (A) how to prevent them from taking off with the passengers, because they could have taken off and gone to Cairo or somewhere else with the passengers. The second one was how to prevent them from blowing up the airplane if we refused to agree to their request. So there were two questions. How to keep them on the ground and, at the same time, not to respond to their demands, and not to bring them to the point where they would say, "All right, you don't want to, then we are going to blow up the plane." These were the two main questions. The third was how to get a happy end to it.

In those early hours, how did you ensure that the terrorists would not in fact take off? Well, that was a question. Of course there are many very simple ways to do it. You can just put a truck in front of the airplane

The decision-making at Lod during the tense hours leading up to the release of the hijacked Sabena plane on Tuesday is described by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan in an interview with Andrew Meisels, broadcast yesterday on the English-language programme of Israel Radio. The text is given here.

and that's it, but then you run into two dangers, two risks. The first one is of course the terrorists can tell you, take away the truck or we shall blow up the plane, exactly as they said, "release the terrorists in your prison or otherwise we blow up the plane." I mean, basically, they would have put us in the same position: and the second is the emotional one. We had to take it that people coming to Israel, to land here in Lydda — not sending their demands from Cairo or Syria — we had to consider that they were ready, really, to commit suicide and blow up the plane, otherwise they wouldn't have come here, wouldn't have chosen Lydda of all places. So even if you prevent their taking off, not by something that can be repaired right away but by such a way that they will say, "all right the Israelis do not leave us a way out" ... for instance, if you come to the back of the plane and you blow up the tail or something, that's it. So if psychologically these people are ready to commit suicide and to blow up the plane, they would say "well that's it," and they might do it, so this is another way how not to do it. I suppose that the right way to do it is by keeping two points in mind. One is, in this case, to have the airplane out of order,

but in such a way so that they can't say that something went wrong, whether the oil is leaking or the pressure is down and something like that but not that the Israelis will say that's it and finished; and secondly, all the time to let them think that they still have a way out.

What was the role of Capt. Levy in all of this? He took care of his passengers. He was a very good model to his helpless passengers and at times actually he represented the terrorists' demands only in order to convince us that the situation was really dangerous. The way that he put it, that "they mean business" and because he was there, and because we knew that he wasn't just threatening us — he didn't want to blackmail us — and that we trusted his judgement, it was very convincing what he said, that "I want you to know that all the technical arrangements for blowing up the plane are made and made properly," then

we took it very seriously. This was a foreign plane and there were foreign passengers aboard. Did you come under any foreign pressure? I wouldn't say pressure, but we were approached by some foreign government, and they suggested to help us, by using political means, contact with the Arab countries, and ways to buy off the terrorists, and we told them that it wasn't practical and that we didn't want to, and as things stood at that time the matter would be decided on the spot, there within the radius of 3 kms. — that was the distance between the tower of the airfield and the grounded Sabena. We told them, now look here, nothing outside this circle will affect anything, now we are going to decide it here and we hope that we shall solve it rightly.

You feel that it was worth the risk? I think that under the circumstances it was worth while, that is to say that by the end of the second day we felt there was a way to release the passengers without giving in and freeing any of the terrorist prisoners in our prisons, and without really putting the passengers too much in danger. We felt it that way. I will not go into details to explain what were all the elements that affected our considerations and the actual situation there, but we felt at that time that it was not only worth while, but it was very promising to take the military way in order to release the passengers.

## Arabs back hijackers, Israel tells Waldheim

UNITED NATIONS (UPI). — Israel told the U.N. that the terrorists who hijacked the Belgian airliner to Israel last Monday had the backing of "Arab governments, in particular Egypt, Syria, Algeria and Lebanon."

Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah in a letter to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, said that while members of the "Black September" terrorists organization held the Sabena plane with 100 passengers and crewmen at Lod Airport, "voices of triumph and glee came from Arab states."

When Israeli soldiers eventually freed the 100 persons aboard the plane, the Arab reaction was "openly one of disappointment and of abuse against Israel for having acted to curb outlaws engaged in this crime of piracy," Tekoah said.

"I should like to emphasize again that the terror organizations responsible for such crimes have enjoyed the support of Arab govern-

ments, in particular of Egypt, Syria, Algeria and Lebanon, which continue to harbour on their territory the bases from which these organizations operate, grant them financial assistance, supply them with arms, give them military training and provide political backing.

"Thus, the 'Black September' group maintains its headquarters in Beirut and purchases its arms in Lebanon. Its members receive military training in Syria and Algeria. It enjoys the full support of Egypt," Tekoah said.

"The barbaric air piracy foisted by Israel reflects not only the criminality of the activities of Arab terror organizations but also the involvement and responsibility of the Arab governments whose true attitude and designs were demonstrated anew in all their malice and disregard for international obligation. The international community cannot permit the continuation of such activities," he said.

## SUMMIT NO SOLUTION: HEYKAL

CAIRO. — Talks between the U.S. and the Soviet Union in Moscow later this month would not produce a Middle East solution, according to Egyptian editor and commentator Mr. Mohammed Hassanein Heykal.

In his weekly Friday article in "Al-Ahram," Heykal said that neither of the two major powers' interests were sufficiently at stake for them to have an incentive to reach a solution.

"On the contrary, their business was prospering and their interests further consolidated. If the Moscow talks between President Nixon and Soviet leaders take place at all, they would produce nothing new to influence effectively the Arab-Israeli conflict," he said.

In fact the meeting was basically to determine the fields of agreement between them and define "the rules of the game in the areas of differences."

Mr. Heykal emphasized that neither Soviet nor American prestige or interests were affected by the crisis. "The American interests were growing instead of diminishing and Soviet interests were also growing."

Mr. Heykal also criticized the Arabs for the present "kill in the battlefield against Israel," and said there was no effective commando action inside Israel.

"What have we done?" he asked, replying, "We have done nothing to activate commando operations against Israel."

"We have done nothing against American interests in the Arab world. On the contrary, American political, economic and strategic interests have increased."

"We have done nothing to win to our side world public opinion."

"We have done nothing to resist King Hussein's plan offering a semi-autonomous state for Palestinians on the west bank of the Jordan," he said.

"Under these circumstances, we can expect nothing from the Moscow Summit, because we have failed sufficiently to attract world public attention to our crisis," Heykal concluded.

## U.K. approves three subs for Israel

LONDON (Reuters). — The British Government has approved the construction of three submarines for the Israeli Navy and contracts have been signed with the Vickers shipbuilding group, according to an authoritative source in the company.

He confirmed that Vickers had pulled out of a project to build a dry dock in Bahrain for the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (O.A.P.E.C.), which objected to the British-Israeli submarine deal.

The contracts for the building of three small coastal-type submarines were signed last month, the source said. The British Defence Ministry and the Foreign Office still refuse to confirm or deny the deal on the grounds that it is not general policy to comment on arms sales.

However, the Vickers official said on Friday, "The contracts have been signed and we are going ahead with the construction. The three submarines, which will take some time to build, are to replace three in the Israeli Navy which are becoming obsolete."

Vickers had the Government's approval to go ahead with the order placed by the Israelis, as it was decided that the contract would not alter the power balance in the Middle East, he said.

Reports of the deal, said to be worth \$18m., have been circulating

without official confirmation for about two months, and disturbed Arab governments have made representations to Britain.

The Arab oil exporting countries were also said to have demanded that Vickers must choose between dropping the arms deal with Israel or withdrawing from the Bahrain drydock project. Vickers had been engaged in a feasibility study of the project for three or four months.

The issue apparently came to a head at an O.P.E.C. meeting last week when the next stage of the project was considered. The Vickers source said his company then expressed willingness to withdraw from further participation in the drydock scheme, and this was accepted by the meeting.

The British Government's attitude to arms sales to the Middle East was defined last month by Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home, who emphasized that there was no general arms embargo. Every application from a British firm to export arms was carefully vetted to ensure that it did not upset the balance of military strength to the detriment of one side or the other in the region.

He rejected Arab press assertions that the sale of the three submarines to Israel would mean a switch in Britain's Middle East policy.

## 15 Soviet Baptists seek aid at U.S. embassy

MOSCOW (UPI). — Fifteen Soviet Baptists seeking American assistance against religious persecution stormed past Russian guards into the U.S. embassy last week and were put up overnight, according to an Embassy spokesman yesterday.

The group entered the embassy on Tuesday, and left on Wednesday afternoon when the Soviets promised them safe conduct home.

Dissenting sources said Soviet police escorted the Baptists, ranging in age from children to middle-aged men, to a plane for their home town of Barna Aul, in central Siberia. There had been no apparent retaliation since, the sources added.

Four other members of the group were arrested in the shouting match outside the embassy. Their fate was not known, but in the Soviet Union it is against the law for a Soviet citizen to enter a foreign embassy without official permission.

The embassy spokesman identified the group as part of the Reform Baptist Church, a tiny minority group within the Russian Christian population.

## Airlines said winning against sky pirates

TOKYO. — International airlines are winning the fight against hijackers and saboteurs, a security expert said here on Friday.

New computerized techniques to keep hijackers off the world's commercial airlines and counter cargo thefts and ticket frauds were the main topics on the annual security and fraud prevention seminar organized by the International Air Transport Association.

Mr. F.A. Cardman, chairman of I.A.T.A.'s security advisory committee, told reporters that hijackings were declining. Of 60 hijacking attempts last year, 55 per cent ended in failure — the hijacker either being arrested or killed, he said. In 1970, there were 87 attempts and only 35 per cent were thwarted.

Mr. Cardman refused to go into details of the new techniques, saying this would only help potential hijackers and saboteurs.

But he said I.A.T.A. had drawn up a blacklist of 400 people who

had either carried out hijackings or were regarded by police or governments as dangerous.

"Many airlines in the world are able to put names into their computer and find out if any of them are trying to board their airplanes,"

Mr. Cardman said airlines had developed passenger screening techniques and weapons detection devices that were proving highly successful.

"As more nations ratify the conventions on unlawful seizure and interference with aircraft and as nations enact laws to punish hijackers, we will have made vast strides to put an end to this problem," he said.

Representatives of 50 world airlines discussed implementing a world-wide passenger-screening process.

"We want would-be hijackers to know that all airports in the world will be looking for them," Mr. Cardman added.

In Washington, Secretary of Transportation John Volpe has announced that U.S. air security officers encountering hijackers will shoot to kill if necessary. Mr. Volpe, speaking before the National Press Club, was asked for his views on the slaying of air pirates at Lod by Israeli officers.

"This is one way to stop hijackers. We don't intend to have shootouts where they can be avoided, but if it comes to the matter of the safety of the passengers or the life of the hijacker, there's little question as to who will be saved."

(Reuters, AP)

## 12 killed in Madagascar during student riots

TANANARIVE (Reuters). — President Philibert Tsiranana yesterday declared a state of emergency in Madagascar following a clash between security forces and students in which 20 people were killed and some 400 wounded.

Security forces made 400 arrests, according to reliable sources. The city's hospitals were crowded.

Fires broke out in several public buildings, including the Ministry of Works and the Institute of Statistics, and in the offices of the country's biggest newspaper, the "Courrier de Madagascar."

The riots followed violent student demonstrations in protest at the ar-

rest of leaders of a student strike that has been in progress for nine days. The students are demanding a radical revision of the educational system.

The Malagasy Interior Minister, Mr. Barthelmy Johasy, said the students' strike was aimed at overthrowing the ruling Social Democratic Party regime.

In a communique broadcast repeatedly here, he said the student movement was really a cloak for subversive political elements which the government would not tolerate any longer. He said the arrested leaders were "in the hands of justice which would decide on their fate."

### WHEN WILL THEY LEARN?



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### Greece expels six Cypriot students

ATHENS (Reuters). — Security authorities yesterday ordered the expulsion from Greece of six Greek Cypriot students whom they alleged had disturbed peace and order.

An announcement by the general secretariat of press and information said the six were members of the Athens-based headquarters of the Federation of National Students' Associations of Cyprus.

It accused them of having taken over the administration of the board of the Federation, contrary to Greek law, of having disturbed peace and order and having incited other people to oppose Greek laws.

### Russian seeks asylum in Australia

CANBERRA (Reuters). — An electrician aboard the 20,000 ton Soviet liner Shota Rustaveli has jumped ship and sought political asylum in Australia, immigration department officials said yesterday.

The man, identified as Ivan Khokov, deserted from the Shota Rustaveli before it left Sydney for a cruise of the South Pacific on Wednesday.

Diplomatic observers said he was expected to be allowed to remain in Australia once it was established that he was not a fugitive from justice.

### Hijacker gets 40 years' jail

DENVER, Colorado (AP). — A confessed airplane hijacker, Richard C. Lapoint, 23, was sentenced to 40 years in federal prison on Friday by a U.S. District Court judge.

The sentence came after a 20-minute plea for mercy by Lapoint's court-appointed lawyer. The sentence was double the minimum 20-year sentence for air piracy. Judge Alfred A. Arraj said he had not considered imposing the maximum death penalty in the case.

Lapoint is the first person to be sentenced who parachuted from a hijacked plane with a ransom. He was apprehended by federal and state officers in a stubble field near Akron, Colorado, with \$50,000 in a blue satchel which he carried with him off the plane.

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# Minimal training, strenuous and dangerous work, low pay 40 MILLION CHILD LABOURERS

By MAX WILDE  
GENEVA (Otns). — THERE are more than 43 million child labourers in the world, according to a report by the International Labour Office in Geneva. These represent 3.9 per cent of boys aged 14 or less and 2.7 per cent of girls.

More than 90 per cent of the total in 1970 were found in the developing regions of the world. In the Philippines they numbered over 500,000, in Iran over 750,000, in Thailand over one million, in Indonesia over 1,500,000, in Pakistan over 2,500,000 and in India over 14 million.

Children are now rarely employed in the larger and more modern industrial undertakings, but child labour in factories has not altogether disappeared. The employment of appreciable numbers of children clearly below the legal minimum age has been noted in small marginal factories that rely on keeping down costs. Such factories are most numerous in Asia, Latin America and the Middle East, but they also exist in parts of southern Europe and even in depressed areas of more industrialized regions. They seem to be particularly concentrated in certain industries: textiles, clothing manufacture, food processing and canning.

In Thailand, in factories manufacturing or packaging such things as bottles, cigarettes, textiles, sweets,

biscuits and seafood, the investigators found many children, especially girls between 10 and 15 years old, and some as young as six, working eight to 14 hours a day, seven days a week, for derisory wages in overcrowded, poorly-ventilated and insanitary premises. "Whole family groups were commonly at work, with a parent or other older relative alone being listed on wage rolls and receiving payment for the entire group. In a cigarette factory children were being hired as "assistants" by adult workers who gave them only a fraction of what they had actually earned or paid them piece rates."

### Cottage industry

Another survey, limited to Thailand textile factories and workshops, revealed that nearly half the working children under 16 had never been to school.

Throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East, the report asserts, children are to be found in small workshops, cottage industries and handicraft undertakings. There, and in parts of northern and southern Europe as well, children do home work, including weaving, spinning, sewing, embroidery, metalwork, leatherwork, woodwork, making pottery and carpets, clothing, shoes, toys, buttons, baskets and fireworks.

The training they get is often minimal, the work strenuous, their treatment that of servants, and the pay far below standard. Lighting, ventilation and sanitary conditions in such workplaces are generally poor. Safety precautions are negligible and children can be seen operating acetylene welding torches, using cutting or piercing tools, working near furnaces and performing other hazardous tasks.

The hand-made carpet industry is a notorious employer of child labour. In Iran, while in Government-owned workshops the legal minimum age of 12 is observed, and reasonable standards of wages, hours and physical working conditions are maintained, most production comes from small private workshops and, especially, home work. Conditions in such workshops are generally extremely poor and the employment of very young girls is normal.

Building work  
Throughout most of Asia, Latin America, the Middle East and parts of southern Europe, boys below the legal minimum age work on building sites as casual, unregistered labourers, clearing debris, carrying equipment and doing other odd jobs at low wages, often involving serious risk of accident and injury.

Domestic service for very young children, mainly of girls in Central America, the Middle East and some parts of Asia, is often practically indistinguishable from slavery. They are brought to cities from rural areas by their parents, or purported parents, and virtually sold into domestic service. They are usually unpaid and the practice is frequently described euphemistically as "adoption."

But most working children in every region, the report maintains, are employed in agriculture, particularly in India and Pakistan, and other Asian countries. In Brazil children have heavy jobs such as ploughing, the planting of cotton, rice and sugar cane, and harvesting these crops.

### In U.S. also

In the United States the report asserts, children of any age can work legally in agriculture at certain times in most states. Until 1966, the Federal Fair Labour Standards Act contained no provisions whatever regulating child labour in agriculture outside school hours, and even now does so only in respect of hazardous occupations, while few state laws contain such provisions. The following year the number of children under the age of 16 detected working during school hours in violation of federal law was 4,201. Of these 2,086 were aged between 10 and 13 and 861 were nine or younger.

Contrary to traditional ideas, modern agriculture exposes workers to

at least as much physical risk as most other sectors. In the state of New York alone official statistics show that during the period 1949-1967, 47 children aged between five and 14 years old died as the result of occupational accidents; 42 of these were in agriculture.

Since its inception in 1919, the International Labour Organization has initiated 10 international conventions dealing with child labour, but, according to the report, with only "varying degrees of success." National legislation covering child labour is varied. In 54 countries the minimum age for industrial employment is 14. The lowest age of 12 obtains in Iran, Libya, Morocco, Sudan, Syria, Egypt, Brazil, Costa Rica, Portugal and Turkey.

In Lebanon, the minimum age of 13 applies only to work with machinery and to certain other specified occupations, while the general minimum age is eight. Sixty-two member States of the ILO have affirmed that a new international convention establishing a minimum age for admission to employment is necessary and a draft convention will be considered at the International Labour Conference in June. The Convention will probably be adopted but, in the light of previous experience, its ratification by a significant number of member States will be a slow process, if it is attained at all.

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## Artificial islands DUTCH SOLUTION FOR POLLUTION

POLLUTION is a world problem. It is especially severe in the densely populated, highly industrialized Low Countries, and Belgium and Holland are joining hands in fighting this new menace of mankind. Because a menace it has become, what with the dense smoke that covers the delta of the river Rhine, the fifth of many inland waters, the giant piles of refuse and garbage, the millions of old cars for which no proper dumping place can be found.

For the last problem the Dutch have dreamed up an original and interesting solution. Dealing with water comes naturally to the Dutch. They have protected themselves against damage from high floods. They have reclaimed vast areas of land from the sea. The world-famous dredging firm of Bos Kallis has now suggested the creation of artificial islands to deal with superfluous waste, be it garbage or car bodies.

These islands would be situated in the North Sea between 30 and 50 kms. from the coast. At that distance, the bed of the sea is only 20m. deep. Islands of 500, 2,000, 5,000 and even 10,000 dunams can be easily made, so the experts of Bos Kallis claim, by dumping a huge pancake of dredged sand back into the sea at the desired place and building round it a wall of heavy cement blocks. The suggested height of the surface of the islands thus created is about 20 ft. above sea level, and of the protecting wall, 35 feet.

**OIL** — Libya is reported having trouble marketing its oil even against current Persian Gulf prices and so Middle East oil experts expect the North African country for the time being "business face" for the time being. One reason for a softer tone from the Libyan government, the magazine said, is that it gained a settlement with the international oil companies over compensation for dollar devaluation.

## Valuable minerals found in Red Sea

**BOSTON (AP)** — An international team of oceanographic scientists last week reported experimental drilling in the floor of the Arabian Sea penetrated deeper than anywhere else in the world — 1,300 metres under the ocean floor. The record depth was at a site in the northwest section of the sea under 3,534m. of water.

The report also disclosed finding in the Red Sea an area of hot brine pools with underlying sediments containing gold, silver, copper, lead and zinc. The expedition discovered a submarine ridge at least 480 kms. in length off the coast of southeast Arabia, and indications are that the origin of the Red Sea was made complex than believed previously.

The findings were announced at the Museum of Science by officials of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, which participated along with Columbia University of Miami, University of Washington and Scripps Institute of Oceanography, La Jolla, California. The work was done on the drilling research vessel Glomar Challenger with an international team of scientists aboard. It was the 23rd leg of a series of underwater drilling experiments that have continued several years. The 24th leg has already begun, this one in the Indian Ocean.

The Glomar Challenger, owned by Global Marine Inc., Los Angeles, is a 400-foot vessel displacing 10,000 tons with a million-pound hook load capacity drill derrick 59m. above the surface of the water. The report said the sediments containing traces of valuable minerals — deep under the sea — were traced down to a depth of 10 metres, but the drills could go no deeper because of a layer of basalt, a hard, dense volcanic stone.

However, the team estimated the sediments, if they could be mined and refined, might produce minerals worth \$2.4 billion. Studies of deposits in the Red Sea indicated there were two phases in the development of the sea. The first, 20 to 50 million years ago, formed the general shape of the sea with movement of the Asian and African continents away from each other.

The second, about six million years ago, formed the axial valleys in the sea.

## Two teen-age girls get life for baby murder

**SYDNEY (AP)** — Two teen-aged girls were sentenced to life in prison last week for the babysitting murder of a three-year-old boy last December.

Rhonda Carmel Hoffman, 14, and Deslie Pamela Raymond, 18, were sentenced by a jury which recommended leniency because of the girl's youth and previous good character. Normally, in such cases, youngsters don't spend more than a few years in custody.

Judge Colin Gegg called the killing of Daniel Stephen a foul crime, "possibly one of the worst that can be imagined."

Police said the girls told them they watched television and discussed killing one of the two children in their charge. The girls went into the boy's room and while he was asleep put a cord from a bikini around his neck. Each girl held an end of the cord, pulling it tight and strangling the boy, police said.

Evidence also was given that Miss Raymond stabbed the boy in the chest with a carving knife and beat him over the head with a saucenpan because they were not certain he was dead.

## Sharma heads Congress Party

**NEW DELHI (AP)** — Distinguished jurist and statesman Shankar Dayal Sharma, 53, was unanimously elected last week as President of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's ruling Congress Party.

He succeeds the late Damodar Sanjayvaya who died of a heart attack on Sunday.

Sharma, who was one of the three general secretaries of the Party, was born in 1918. After getting a Masters Degree in arts and law in India, he went to England's Cambridge University where he got his Ph.D. in constitutional law. He was called to the bar in England at Lincoln's Inn.

He was Chief Minister of the former central Indian princely state of Bhopal and later was minister in the Madhya Pradesh state.

## Brussels police net huge hash haul

**BRUSSELS (Reuter)** — Customs officials at Brussels airport have seized a massive haul of hashish weighing 66.5 kilos, police sources said Thursday.

The drug consignment was stuffed into two large suitcases brought in by a man on a flight from Nice, France, on Wednesday night, the sources added.

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### Frenchmen unhappy at government attitude

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I read in today's "Figaro" that you complain, and rightly so, about France's obnoxious behaviour towards your country. I trust you are aware that most Frenchmen suffer emotionally and morally from our conduct towards you. This dates back to the affair of the "Mirages," when General de Gaulle did not keep his promises. Maybe things will change after the 1973 elections, but you must understand that we want neither the Communists, nor the socialists, but only middle-of-the-roaders.

Believe me, three-quarter of Frenchmen think like I do and we are unhappy at the political behaviour towards you.

A. DE NOLAND  
 Nice, April 5.

### AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IN ISRAEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I wish to refer to your report of May 4 on the statement of Dr. Ra'anan Weitz, head of the Jewish Agency's Settlement Department, calling for the establishment of an agricultural college in Israel. May I point out that this call was made at a memorial ceremony for Hanna Maisel-Shochat at Wizo's Agricultural School in Nahalal.

DVORA KADISE,  
 Wizo Public Relations Officer  
 Tel Aviv, May 5.

### IN MEMORIAM

## MAN WHO UNLOCKED TREASURES OF YIDDISH

MAURICE Samuel who died last week in New York, first unlocked the treasures of the Yiddish language, its rich literature, its marvellous poetry, its drama, and presented them — as if on a velvet cushion — in English. These were not translations; they were transplants. Without adding, without subtracting, without altering the wonderful original tone of the great Yiddish writers, he gave them voice in superb English, and, by doing so, he recreated a way of life, of thought and of speech that is now gone for ever.



From "The World of Sholem Aleichem," a classic to this day, through to his last magnificent and erudite "In Praise of Yiddish," with 25 other books in between on a variety of Jewish and non-Jewish subjects, not to mention his translation of Shmrya Levin, Sholem Asch and J.L. Singer's "The Brothers Ashkenazi," he became the mentor par excellence of innumerable American and British novelists who took what he taught them and used it to enrich their own works, and thus came nearer to understanding us.

Maurice Samuel's "The World of Sholem Aleichem," in fact, led to the vogue of Sholem Aleichem, which, in turn, led to a universal familiarity with Sholem Aleichem exemplified by the "Fiddler on the Roof." But this is only one example. Like his great friend Shmrya Levin, Maurice Samuel was a remarkable speaker and lecturer, a guide to the perplexed of two generations of American Jewry. Nothing involving the Jewish people, Zionism or Jewish learning was alien to him. His Dialogues with Mark van Doren on the Bible, broadcast every Sunday for more than a decade, revealed to the world

not only the scope and breadth of his own knowledge, but the infinite wisdom, subtlety and variety of the sources at which he was nurtured. As he had done with the Jews of the shtetl, so now he brought alive the men and women of the Old Testament, introduced them to us and showed them to us in a clear, bright, unforgettable light.

It is not my purpose — nor am I able at this time — to try to give an adequate evaluation of Maurice Samuel's contributions to Jewish life and letters. Our involvement and friendship were too deep and too longstanding for me to write of him this week with detachment. Let me instead, with your permission, reproduce here what I asked my son David to read at Maurice's funeral service in New York. It is what I would have said had I myself been there:

Dear Moish:  
 "I am grieved beyond words that I cannot be with you today to bid you farewell. Twice before, I travelled 12,000 miles from Israel to New York and back again for one day to take leave of two of our dearest friends, Louis Lipsky and Joseph Brainin. Alas, I cannot do so today; my doctors, because of my recent illness, and my own family are fearful of the consequences, and I have no alternative other than to obey them.

"My dearest friend for 58 years, we worked in deep and affectionate association, either separately or together, in the interest of those things that motivated both our lives. Both of us were made of the same mould, grew from the same roots, and we lived the same life all these years — almost to the very end of your own — when we took leave of each other in a sad and loving embrace just two weeks ago.

"When our beloved Joe died less than two years ago, you said to me tearfully, "Meyer, we were three. Now we are only two. Who knows how far we have yet to travel?" Your own journey was, alas, to be very short. *Al siva ani bocheh.* My anguish at your passing is unutterable. You have orphaned me. Now only I am left of the three of us. My pain and sorrow will remain with me for all the days to come. I weep bitterly for both of us — for you, dear Moish, because you still had so much to give, and for myself because I am so profoundly bereaved. And yet you will forever remain for me the living symbol of everything that was rich, beautiful and meaningful in Jewish life. I shall never know the like of you again. May you rest in peace."

MEYER W. WEISGAL

## Readers' letters

### Israel's medical students

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I wish to refer to Macabee Dean's article of April 23, "Israel's '2nd-class' medical students," and particularly to one statement, he quoted, namely, "I would prefer an Israel student from France or Switzerland with a mark of six, to one from Italy with a mark of nine."

In my opinion, Israel is playing Russian roulette with qualified students who are denied admission to Israeli medical schools because of lack of space or "spotskida." Fortunately, Italy is helping to meet the need of training Israel's future physicians. One does not solve an already anticipated critical shortage of physicians by flagrantly irresponsible remarks like those mentioned above. Aside from being dis-

courteous to the Italian schools which trained competent physicians 700 years before the birth of the modern State of Israel, it discredits — mistakenly — 1,400 Israeli students who would have preferred to study at home, but are thankful for the opportunity to study abroad.

The author of the above-quoted statement does not seem to realize that, just as there are good and bad people in every nation, there are also superior and inferior physicians being graduated yearly and simultaneously from the same medical school, whether it be in New York, Moscow, Rome and, yes, even Tel Aviv.

ITALIAN MEDICAL SCHOOL GRADUATE  
 (Name and address supplied)  
 New York, May 5.

### Reports in Dutch press

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — In your Keeping Posted column of April 13, your correspondent, Dr. Henriette Boas, writes that an article appearing in the Dutch labour daily "Het Vrije Volk" on April 1 describing the recent West Bank elections and signed with the initials E.R., mistakenly used the term Transjordan. Dr. Boas was obviously referring to me when she stated that it was written by the Israel correspondent of "Het Vrije Volk."

The article mentioned by Dr. Boas

was written by Eric Rouleau, Middle East correspondent of the French daily "Le Monde," and translated into Dutch. Above the page where the article appeared it was clearly stated that the initials E.R. were those of Eric Rouleau. Furthermore "Het Vrije Volk" published a rectification of the mistake concerning the use of the name Transjordan.

EDDO ROSENTHAL  
 Dutch Foreign Correspondent in Israel  
 Jerusalem, May 2.

### Why not Jerusalem?

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, I note from an advertisement in your issue of May 4 that Mary Quant's international make-up artist has arrived in Israel after a tour of European capitals. We women are told that if we would like beautiful and fashionable faces, Mr. Neal will advise us on specified dates in Haifa, Tel Aviv and Ramat Gan, but not in Jerusalem. We may therefore deduce contentedly that the beauty of Jerusalem's women needs no enhancing!

MILLIE DONBROW  
 Jerusalem, May 4.

### BUS TICKETS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — When praising the joys of bus-riding in her letter of March 31, Mrs. Gruschka does not seem to be well acquainted with the conditions prevailing on our buses. Her complaint that passengers do not have the correct fare ready could be remedied if the bus companies made season tickets easily available. The few agents who now sell them should earn more and drivers should also sell them, at least at terminals.

L. MARCU  
 Jerusalem, March 31.

Egged replies:  
 Mr. Marcu complains about delays because passengers do not have the correct fare, yet he proposes that drivers should sell season tickets which would undoubtedly cause additional delays in boarding buses. The simple solution is to buy season or single tickets at the ticket office. We would also prefer it if passengers would buy their tickets before boarding buses and thus make life easier for themselves and the drivers, but apparently they are not willing to do so and prefer to pay the driver for each trip separately.

M. SHEPMAN, Spokesman  
 Tel Aviv, April 24.

### HISTORY SYMPOSIUM AT HAIFA

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — With reference to your report of April 30 on the International Historical Symposium at the Haifa University, may I point out that Professor E. Vago is the chairman of this symposium and has greatly contributed to its success.

N. LITMANN  
 Haifa, April 30.

### Outstanding 'Conformist'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — On a recent visit to England I saw Bertolucci's film "The Conformist" which was reviewed in your issue of April 24. Your reviewer's account of the film was, as far as it went, fair, but I am surprised that she did not perceive that this was one of the outstanding films of the past 30 years.

Its greatness lies in the exposition of the relationship between the individual, sex, and politics, the remarkable density of texture contributed by the complex system of multi-level flashbacks, the use of lighting, allusions and techniques derived from the films of the '30s and '40s to recreate the period of the action of the film; and the use of images arising naturally from the scene itself and not imposed on it.

LOUIS LEVI  
 Beersheva, April 24.

The Jerusalem Post cinema critic comments:  
 "Although I found 'The Conformist' interesting both in subject and treatment, I can't say I found it one of the 'outstanding films of the past 30 years' and believe that Bergman's 'Persona' and 'Silence,' Bunuel's 'Viridiana' and 'La Voie Lactee,' Fellini's '8 1/2' and Antonioni's 'Avventura' surely surpass it in imagination, aliveness, impact and/or human warmth. 'The Conformist' is a cold picture which, of course, suits its theme of the depersonalization of conformity."

### JAZZ CONCERT AT THE KHAN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post  
 Sir, — I don't know why there was no critic from The Jerusalem Post at the jazz concert at the Khan last Thursday night, but I do know that he or she missed a most exciting experience.

Glady's Hadaya's vocals and the singing of her chorus were charming and delightful. Her arrangements were imaginative and the instrumental support by the piano, sax and flute, drums and bass, perfect. Gladys is a Jewish Jo Stafford. Mel Keller's big band was stupendous and the excitement of their performance could be felt throughout — the trumpet solos by the immigrant from England were brilliant. I cannot find words to describe that delicious evening. Jerusalem can use many more happy evenings like this... so can Israel.

FRED WEISGAL  
 Jerusalem, May 2.

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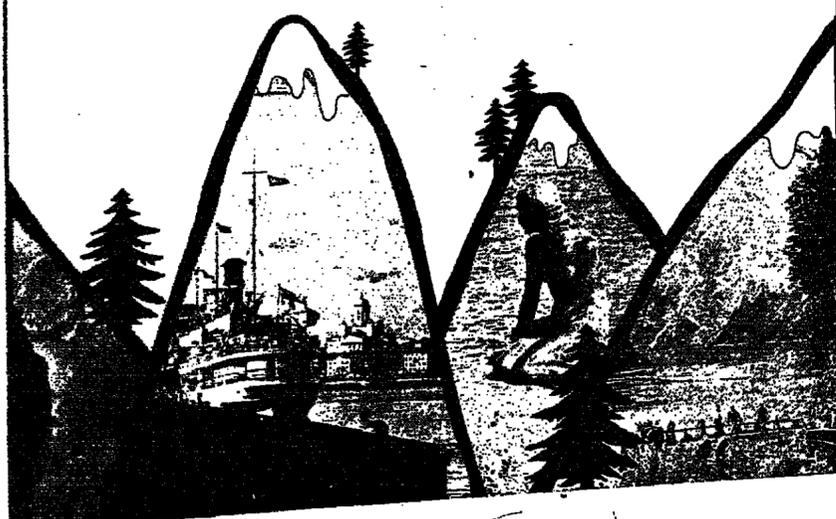
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# SHOULD ISRAEL WELCOME MULTI-NATIONAL COMPANIES?

By MOSHE ATER  
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent  
ISRAEL has always welcomed — and should continue to welcome — the multi-national companies which are playing a part in our economic development. Dr. Zvi Dinstein, Deputy Minister of Finance, declared at a seminar on the subject at the Leon Recanati Graduate School of Business Administration in Tel Aviv on May 1. We do not stand in need of capital or foreign currency, or even of know-how, but we have much to gain in the main marketing outlets abroad from the vast resources of these companies.

The multi-national corporations, on their side, can find skilled — even very sophisticated — personnel in Israel, as well as an agreeable administrative and social environment, and Dr. Dinstein pointed out that a number of major companies have found it worth while settling here even in face of the Arab boycott.

The Deputy Minister said he also favoured developing overseas branches by Israel companies, even though this meant a drain on our capital resources during the initial period. In the long run, foreign subsidiaries or joint ventures were likely to contribute to our exports by purchasing spare parts, accessories and so on in Israel. The Israel economy also stood to benefit from dividends, royalties, management fees and salaries of expatriate employees.

Dr. Dinstein thought that in some cases, overseas establishments could be financed by raising capital abroad in the form of shares of debentures, as had been done by Ets LeDavid Ltd., which financed a for-profit affiliate in Canada by the issue of shares in the U.S.

A more cautious view was expressed by Mr. Israel Gal-Edd, director of the Tevel Institute and former Director-General of the Ministry of Development. Some of Israel's outstanding economic performances — such as the development of the potash, bromine, copper and diamond industries, and of high-class agricultural exports — had been achieved without the aid of foreign



Dr. Zvi Dinstein



Israel Gal-Edd

permits and to enact the requisite legislation, but in the light of recent experience such a procedure seems highly necessary.

With regard to normal credits, no system of advance permits is possible. It would stifle economic life. Bankers must be able to use their own judgement in granting credits. And, admitting that mistakes in this connection, especially in deflationary periods, may lead to serious situations, deposit insurance does not seem to be the answer to this problem.

Deposit insurance has been a success in the U.S. It was introduced during the great depression of the 'thirties, when one after another of the country's small banks closed their doors. When nearly a quarter of all the banks collapsed and the country's economy was seriously threatened, the Federal Government enacted legislation for control of the banks — which till then was being done rather ineffectively by the various states — at the same time providing insurance for small depositors. This is a unique situation. Many countries have studied the American example; no one, as far as we know, has followed it, although a few trials have been made.

The legislation suggested by the Bank of Israel would oblige the banks to pay an admittedly low premium on all deposits, regardless of their size. This premium on deposits, large and small, would yield IL3m. per annum. This sum is not impressive considering that the banking disasters of the last five years cost the taxpayer about IL80m. Bank of Israel officials point out that the insurance would only cover depositors up to an amount of IL15,000. People with more than that amount to deposit are expected to be able to make a responsible choice of bank.

Small savers  
Although it is a mistake to believe that people with IL50,000 or even IL100,000 in their bank accounts are better able to choose the right bank than smaller savers, there is certainly an argument in favour of guaranteeing savings up to a certain modest amount — IL15,000 or even IL25,000 — in order to encourage savings in general. But this should be a direct obligation of the Central Bank. To relate a guarantee to a compulsory deposit insurance to which all deposits, large and small, must contribute, has no logic to recommend it. It is a kind of fine on big depositors and big banks, as neither is expected ever to benefit from the insurance. Small wonder that the Minister of Justice, Mr. Y.B. Shapiro opposes the enactment of a bill to insure the public's deposits in banks.

What the Bank of Israel has to do is to supervise the fundamental policy of each individual bank more closely, and to create a system of permits before doling out the cash for loans to shareholders and to managers and companies they control. This would take care of a major part of the causes of pre-pansy bank failures. It does not of course guarantee that nothing of the same sort will occur in future. In a free economy that is virtually impossible. But the dangers can be limited. Those that remain are the price we have to pay for liberty.

(The second of two articles)

## BANK DISASTERS — PREVENTION AND CURE

By J. VOET  
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent  
THE Examiner of Banks, Mr. Meir Hersh, views the hard facts of financial life calmly. He does not favour small banks, as experience has proved that they often have difficulty in withstanding the rather rough economic and financial conditions of our country. He advocates that small banks should either join hands and merge into a stronger entity, or, if this seems impossible, be taken over by one of the big three in Israel banking: Bank Leumi, Bank Hapoalim or the Discount Bank.

This is, of course, far better than a bank going bankrupt, leaving it to the Bank of Israel to pay off the depositors so as to avoid further disruption of the economy, and to the taxpayer to foot the bill. Nevertheless, the Bank of Israel wants to protect itself against future bank bankruptcies by setting up a special insurance fund as cover against such a contingency.

The Bank of Israel people, although not against tightening controls, do not believe that controls can offer absolute security. They therefore recommend the kind of deposit insurance scheme that has operated successfully in the United States for nearly four decades.

In this writer's opinion, one has to distinguish between two kinds of banking disasters: those caused by obviously wrong policy or dishonest activities and those caused by genuine mistakes. The first category demands strong action by the Bank of Israel before the deed is done.

Bank purchase  
It is incomprehensible for instance that the Bank of Israel, knowing what it knew at the time, allowed Feuchtwanger's Bank to buy Eliezer's Bank. The condition made by our Central Banks in 1967, that both banks should continue to operate after the purchase as separate entities, showed clearly that the officials of the Bank of Israel were already aware that something was wrong with Feuchtwanger. This being so, they should have made the purchase of Eliezer impossible.

It is also difficult to understand why the Central Bank ever agreed to the creation of the Bank Agudat Israel, which had only a very weak link with the political movement of the same name, to which a promise had been given. Even if this pledge had any value, it was not binding on the Governor of the Central Bank. It is even more unintelligent of the Bank of Israel officials to ease the way for the expansion of the Agudat Israel Bank by allowing it to take over a number of branches of the defunct Feuchtwanger Bank.

A firmer hand by the Central Bank in such policy decisions is highly desirable. In addition, new regulations should be enacted obliging all banks to ask permission from the Central Bank before granting credits to its own shareholders or managers, or members of their families, or companies controlled by them. Experience shows that a major part of the trouble with some banks resulted from preferential treatment, the allotment of too large loans to its own inner circle. It will not be easy to formulate the conditions on which the Central Bank may issue

### Business and Finance

## Investors who care about ethics

By J. VOET  
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

A NEW financial attitude has made itself felt, especially in the United States, during the last decade: that of the so-called "ethical investor." The body of investors that does not take an exclusively financial view of its participation in industry or commerce is growing, more and more investors are also considering the "socially injurious" effects their investments might have.

This high-sounding phrase, usually refers to investments in enterprises that produce particularly noxious weapons, or contribute to the pollution problem, or have too close connections with South Africa's apartheid policies. Ethical investors avoid furthering socially undesirable results by withholding their money from enterprises that contribute, or are believed to contribute, to social evils. The ethical investor realizes that this attitude may not rebuild cities or make the desert bloom out, it is argued, it can limit or even halt the destruction of life. That may not be enough, but it is still a great deal.

The newest recruit in the Yale and file of ethical investors is Yale University. Yale is not only a university of great prestige; it is also a big investor. The value of its portfolio is currently estimated at \$500m.

Student pressure  
Yale's decision is understood to have been taken under considerable pressure from the student body, who urged the governors to take a more responsible attitude towards the effects of their investments. But the decision was not taken lightly.

The issue was raised at a university seminar as long ago as 1968. The problem was examined more thoroughly during the years 1969-70. The conclusions of the seminar have been incorporated in a book entitled "The Ethical Investor." While "The Ethical Investor" supports the principle that investment should always be based on getting the best possible return for one's money, it also holds that corporations and even more so universities, cannot properly or even prudently ignore the impact of their investments upon the general welfare.

A distinction is made between "crusading" and "self regulation." The ethical investor need not join the ranks of the crusaders who actively campaign for improvement of their environment. They should, however, refrain from giving money to companies that contribute to socially undesirable changes. Deprivation of health, safety or basic freedoms are classified as socially undesirable.

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products. And the local vehicle assembly plants so far had failed to carry out their original intention of encouraging the local production of spares, because the respective foreign companies found it improbable to extend their production in Israel.

Multi-national companies were operating successfully in several fields: electronics, tires, pharmaceuticals, acrylic fabrics and panty hose among them — but attempts to enlist their cooperation for the development of bromine exports had failed. Similarly, no major nylon or polyester producer had been found ready to manufacture these materials in Israel, the argument being that while they could provide the most up-to-date existing know-how, the plant as envisaged was too small to be able to cope with possible technical advances in the production process.

In the case of Dead Sea. Perchlorate, Mr. Gal-Edd said, a conflict with the multi-national company participating in the venture has been avoided for the time being, though it is not ruled out as the foreign company is mainly interested in obtaining magnesium oxide for its operations abroad while Israel is interested in expanding output irrespective of that company's production and marketing arrangements.

On the other hand, in the case of Arad Chemical, cooperation with the foreign company went awry because the technological process which the company pressed on a reluctant Israel Government did not work as expected, and the government tended to hold the company responsible. As a result, the company's board of directors spent much time arguing about partnership rather than concentrating on their major task of building the phosphoric acid plant and getting the business of the company done. Eventually the situation gave rise to such bitterness that liquidation of the partnership was unavoidable.

Minimum risk  
Mr. Gal-Edd felt that multi-national companies should not be invited in order to introduce new, untried production techniques. Partnership with a multi-national company should be resorted to only when the foreign partner could introduce, set-up and teach us how to turn in and operate his own proved process with a minimum of risk involved.

Personal problems also played a

considerable role in the success or failure of multi-national ventures. Mr. Gal-Edd warned. He cited the case of Barclays Bank, where excessive operational costs were caused by dependence on expatriate staff, while bright young Israelis were not attracted in joining the Bank because they knew they had no chance of reaching the top positions. Since Barclays' business in Israel was taken over by Discount Bank, the number of expatriate staff had been effectively reduced from 12 to two. The Exchange National Bank of Chicago appointed an Israeli as their chief executive here from the beginning.

Successes  
The experience of American Paper Mills showed what immense changes can be introduced with a change of management from expatriate to local. Other outstanding multi-national successes in this country were Amoco and Monsanto's Acrlan, both of which had given local people (L. Katich and F. Galish) directorial positions on an international basis, enabling them to improve the foreign company's understanding of specific Israeli issues.

Mr. Gal-Edd felt that one should not expect a multi-national company operating in this country to push exports of Israel products unless they were competitive on the world market and adjusted to the company's general marketing policy.

Other speakers at the seminar also stressed the importance of personal understanding at the decision-making level for the successful development of multi-national ventures. The handicap of the Arab boycott was also discussed, as well as the absence of a double taxation agreement with the U.S., as a result of which American investors in Israel cannot avail themselves of the tax exemption clause.

Mr. Asher Ya'adin, secretary of Hevrat Ovdim, took a strong line on Israel investments in foreign ventures. He felt the time had come for Israel to consider investments not only in productive projects in developing countries, but also in established industries in Europe. Why not acquire control in a profitable, growing company abroad as a reserve asset? Could not a fraction of the capital flowing into Israel be best used for judicious investments abroad, he wanted to know.

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# LAND REFORM ROW IN INDIA

By TREVOR DRIEBERG  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

**NEW DELHI** — THE hottest political issue in India today is land reform. Reducing the size of big farm holdings to five or three acres (eight to 12 dunams) to each of 40 million landless families was one of the main planks of the ruling Congress Party's manifesto in the general election last March.

The overwhelming triumph of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's party in the countryside was due, largely to this promise. Now, faced with growing demands from the landless, the Congress governments in many states are trying to dodge the problem.

The result has been a furious debate between radical Congressmen who want the pledge honoured and conservative elements which are loathe to offend the powerful farm lobbies in the state capitals. Caught in the vortex of this gathering storm, Mrs. Gandhi has said she is fully committed to genuine reforms which will give land to those who lack it.

She has explained that she is not doing this just because it is in the election manifesto but because this is the only way to prove "our faith in democracy." The manifesto said the upper level of a holding for a family of five may be between ten and 18 acres of land which gets irrigation all the year round or is adequately irrigated to grow two crops a year.

**Water sources**  
But a high-level central land reform committee the Indian Government set up to study the matter has recommended that the limit should apply only to land which gets water from "government sources."

This interpretation is backed by Agriculture Minister Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, and radical groups in the Congress Party are accusing him of trying to scuttle the promised re-

forms. If the committee's recommendation is accepted, most of the big holdings in the country would be exempted from the cut. But the party radicals argue that lower limits are necessary for land irrigated by tubewells and other private sources, because it is generally assured of enough water for two or three crops yearly, and profits are higher than from government-irrigated land where the supply of water is less and often uncertain.

**Fraudulent**  
According to the radicals, big farmers are fraudulently transferring part of their landholdings to dummy owners so that by the time the struggle between New Delhi and the state governments is settled there will be precious little land to divide among the landless.

The land reforms committee consists of five state chief ministers and the Union ministers of planning, agriculture, and home affairs. A special meeting of the committee was held here on Monday to sort out the problem. The All-India Congress Committee has summoned a "leaders' conference" in the capital for Friday to discuss how the party can redeem its election pledge.

If the leaders fail to persuade the chief ministers of the states to enact legislation on the lines New Delhi has told them to, the Congress Party is heading for serious trouble. On the other hand, giving about 50 million peasant families living today at the margin of survival a few acres of land would ensure them

their minimum needs of food, clothing and shelter under Indian conditions. This would not only rescue them from their present state of abject poverty and insecurity but also break the back of the unemployment problem which worsens daily.

With assured irrigation and fertilizers and improved techniques of cultivation, Indian agricultural scientists have proved that a two-acre plot is enough to meet the basic requirements of a family of five. Land reform would also mean a speed-up in the use of machinery in farming.

**Wheat crop**  
This month, harvester combines are being used for the first time on a large scale to gather the wheat crop in the northern states of Haryana, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh. Indian farming experts believe that mechanization will spread through out the countryside in the next five years in the wake of meaningful land reforms.

At present, 32 per cent of the 550 million Indians live in 560,000 villages in very primitive conditions. About 387 million acres of cultivated land is divided into more than 80 million holdings, and the present irrigation potential covers 100 million acres.



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**LONDON (FWF)** — WHEN Michael Hardy set up in business at the relatively early age of 28, a bright and promising future seemed to lie ahead of him. He had shrewdly selected two booming fields in which to exercise his undoubted attributes of business ability, charm and persuasiveness — public relations and talent-spotting. And to his unpaid partner, sitting day after day in their well-furnished Exeter headquarters, everything appeared to be swinging. But a closer look at Hardy's affairs would have disclosed one small hitch: he had no business to be in business at all.

For at the time, he was serving a four-year term in Exeter Prison for handling stolen property. Such a model convict did he prove that he was put into a hostel scheme. The authorities failed, however, to find him an official job "outside" — and that's when Hardy established the two firms, whilst technically still in prison. He was soon sent back to his cell.

**Small elite**  
Where he found the £2,800 for rent in advance and equipment hire, no one knows; and although his case is in itself isolated, one thing is certain. Hardy belongs to a small but growing elite in Britain who are turning their prison sentences into profit. As a problem, it's not

**Organized crime has found a new outlet as clever criminals turn prisons into profit-centres. Here is the 'inside' story by FWF correspondent NICK COLE.**

confined to Britain. In jails throughout the Western world, a quiet revolution is in progress as convicts are learning how to make their stay behind bars pay off. They have managed to turn many prisons into flourishing centres of business enterprise, all strictly unofficial and highly illegal.

Take the "cons" in Los Angeles Penitentiary, for instance; not long ago, the governor there got a complaint from the telephone company that a number of long-distance calls were being made from the prison with the aid of fictitious credit cards. An investigation showed that the inmates, taking advantage of relaxed rules, had invented credit card numbers when using the phone to set up deals outside. Regulations permitted local calls only, paid for out of the prisoners' earnings.

But it isn't only kinder discipline that is leading to abuses; criminals are getting cleverer. Anyone who automatically thinks of a convict as a jug-eared, pug-nosed social misfit is in for a surprise. There has been a steep rise in white-collar crime recently — in fact, one U.S. team of

sociologists went as far as to claim that the characteristics comprising the criminal mind could be the same as those that lead to success in business; jails are being filled with a better-calibre criminal with a higher IQ, better education and more resourcefulness.

**Tobacco and drugs**  
So marked is this trend that, according to a British report just published: "There are many men inside with managerial, intellectual and creative talents which are currently under-utilized." The report, compiled and published — legally — by a group of prisoners, suggests that convicts could be given more intelligent tasks.

The brighter jail-birds are regularly recruited into organized crime, whose tentacles have even reached inside prisons and taken control of the tobacco "barons' empires, plus their modern counterpart, the drug rings. The tobacco "barons" feature in every prison. They boss the tobacco rackets. Any inmate who doesn't pay up for his

"snouts"—a jail jargon for a cigarette — faces a beating up. Assaults of this type are increasing as more and more prisoners object to paying the crushing interest rates, usually around 50 per cent.

But there's a ready market for marijuana, even at the current asking-price of £25 for 10 grams, amongst prisoners seeking relief from the monotony of prison life; supplies are smuggled in by visitors and are stashed away in a variety of ingenious hiding-places — pipes, electrical fittings and shoes with secret compartments.

How do the authorities view this rise of jail mini-business? They've found it isn't enough just to keep a man busy; he needs to be paid realistic rates as well. In some prisons this is the case; half his earnings are sent to his family, while the rest is placed in trust; and he is paid to him on his release. Recently a man walked out of Fort Leavenworth in the U.S. with \$2,500; another collected \$1,300, which he used to start up a successful welding business. In one case, so keen were the authorities for a Philadelphia convict to work, that they made him mow lawns all day; he retaliated with a lawsuit claiming \$89,000 damages for ruined hands.

### Histadrut files IL1m. libel suit against 'Ma'ariv'

**TEL AVIV** — The Histadrut and its seven pension funds are suing "Ma'ariv" for IL1m. under the 1965 Libel Law.

The Histadrut spokesman said the federation was suing "Ma'ariv," editor Arye Dissenchik, the Mod'in publishing firm, and reporter Ehad Gutt — who had written "a scandalously libellous article" on the financial stability of the seven Histadrut insurance and pension funds. It had been headlined: "Swiss expert's report — the Histadrut pension funds will go bankrupt in ten years' time."

The Histadrut legal adviser told "Ma'ariv": "The article comes under the terms of the Libel Law, and I have been instructed to take legal steps against you; you are asked to publish a denial within 24 hours from receipt of this letter."

The spokesman said that the federation is suing for IL1m. for the "considerable damage" done to the reputation of the pension funds which have 400,000 members. Such unfounded news stories could shake the confidence of hundreds of thousands of working families in the security of their savings and pensions, he said.

### Mime says he'll sue agency for breaking deal

**TEL AVIV** — A dancer and pantomimist, Adam Darius, told a press conference here last week that he was going to sue his Israeli impresario for arbitrarily cancelling a series of performances the artist was due to give in this country, starting last Thursday.

Mr. Darius said that on the eve of his departure from London, his impresario, the Octava agency, phoned to tell him that they were cancelling his Israel tour because the ticket sales were disappointing. The artist, who is due to leave Israel today, said he had placed the matter in the hands of a lawyer here.

Mr. Darius showed reporters a copy of the contract he said he had signed with the agency. Calling the telephone number listed in the contract, "This" was told that no one at that number had any connection with Octava.

The American-born artist had lived in Israel some years ago, serving as balletmaster and choreographer for the Tel Aviv Opera.



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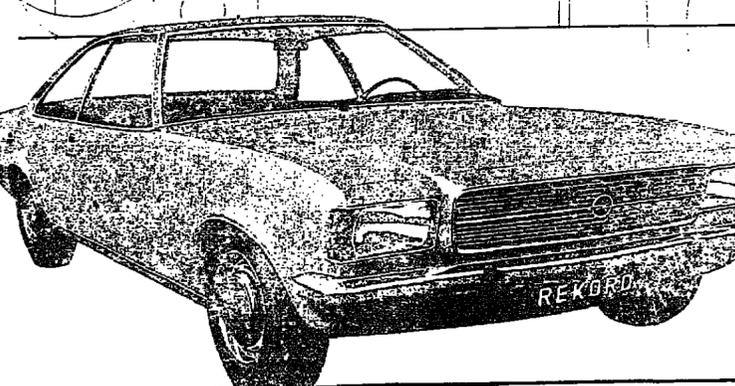
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# Conductor saves the day

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. Subscription Concert No. 10. Conductor: Uri Segal. Soloist: Leonard Rose, cello (Tel Aviv Music Auditorium, May 17). Bach: Brandenburg Concerto No. 6; Stravinsky: Symphony in C. Dvorak: Cello Concerto.

THIS was a most disappointing evening and none of the works gave us any real satisfaction. In the Bach, and even more in the Stravinsky, we missed the guiding hand of an authoritative leader, but when we thought the concert completely lost, the young conductor surprised us with an excellent accompaniment of the Dvorak Concerto. This was at least some compensation for the many disenchantments of the programme.

Some of the I.P.O.'s best soloists took part in the Brandenburg Concerto and they all played with distinction; but the overall impression did not go beyond a monotonous average of tempo, of dynamics and of phrasing. Besides these in interpretation there were also some technical ones, and at times the performance came dangerously close to disintegration.

The Stravinsky symphony was also monotonous. Uri Segal's interpretation failed to reveal the work's real meaning, which is to let rhythm, melody and harmony speak on their own terms without being distorted by "expression." In trying to make the symphony "interesting," Mr. Segal robbed it of most of its harmonic and rhythmic sharpness and introduced an element of idiosyncratic expressiveness which is completely foreign to the music.

Even the performance of the Concerto by an artist of Leonard Rose's stature failed to relieve the mediocrity of the evening. Mr. Rose is undoubtedly a craftsman of the

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first order, but his playing lacked affectionate phrasing and most of it sounded dry and colourless, while his tone had an unpleasant nasal quality.

## Modern music most rewarding

Uri Segal's accompaniment of the Concerto, however, was striking. He was suddenly seized by real inspiration, spurring the orchestra on to an excellent performance. Against this rich accompaniment, the cello's part sounded even more pedestrian. **BENJAMIN BAR-AM**

HAIFA'S group of music teachers and artists heard Mrs. Radotich, a veteran music teacher, give a comprehensive recital at the Music Museum last week.

# NOT ENOUGH TEMPERAMENT

The Israel Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra, Mendel Rodan, conductor; Edward Auer, piano; Cilla Grossmeyer, soprano; Dan Fried, tenor; Jerome Rodan, baritone; the Chamber Choir of the Rubin Academy, Jerusalem. (Binyanei Ha'Oma, Jerusalem-May 9). Programme: "Le Festin de Pelegrines" (Schubert: Mass in G Major; Brahms: Fiano Concerto No. 2, op. 85.

Albert Roussel's ballet-pantomime on the Spider's Feast stems from his first period, when he was very much influenced by Debussy. Presented on the concert stage without the acting and dancing—a problem facing most scores composed for one purpose and used for another, and one that is rarely solved entirely successfully—it needs a very lively performance to stand on its own, to bring out all the iridescent hues of Roussel's palette. To keep things moving without the help of the story unfolding before the listener's eyes, Mendel Rodan conducted a creditable presentation, technically sound and correct, but he lacked a Frenchman's elegance and elasticity and the inimitable Gallic temperament necessary for this work.

The Mass by Schubert that followed was all harmony. The Chamber Choir of the Jerusalem Music Academy was beautifully prepared by its conductor Avner Itai. The group has developed fresh, clean, clear sound and precise intonation which makes a most valuable asset to any performance. The soloists provided cultured singing. Cilla Grossmeyer, as always, with ample voice and pleasant presentation. The two men coped with their small parts satisfactorily, though Jerome Rodan's baritone did not have the volume required to carry his lines

in such a large hall. Conductor Rodan directed the orchestra and his vocal forces in a finely balanced and gently moving performance.

The attraction of Brahms's Second Piano Concerto to young pianists is considerable, though it takes a grown-up man and a mature artist to meet all its challenges successfully. Edward Auer, from the U.S.A., has every technical resource at his command and is undoubtedly a musician of stature, and his approach to Brahms is sound and thoughtful. But this concerto is still somehow too big for him. His prizes in the Chopin Competition and the Marguerite Long Concours point to qualifications in different music from this forceful, sophisticated work, which requires a strong, experienced artist with both physical and mental stamina. The orchestra supported the soloist well and provided its own important contribution in this very symphonic work, answering Mendel Rodan's demands satisfactorily. **YOHANAN ROEHM**

## 300 Jordanians repatriated

AMMAN (Reuters). — About 300 Jordanian nationals have returned home since the Government's decision on Wednesday to stop legal proceedings against people who left the country because of the clashes between the army and Palestinian terrorists in September, 1970, it was reported here yesterday.

The weekly newspaper "Amman al-Masa" said the repatriates crossed the border from Syria.

The military governor-general had given people desiring to return home two months to do so, provided they reported to the nearest Jordanian border or military posts.

HEAT. — At least 14 people have died as a result of a heat wave in West Bengal in the past week, according to official figures. Temperatures have soared to 50 degrees centigrade (122 fahrenheit) in some areas.

# Widow is not required to go out to work

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Beersheba District Court delivered on September 30, 1971.

Yosef Friedman was killed when the motorcycle on which he had been riding collided with an army truck. The deceased, who had been a member of a moshav, was 21 years old when he was killed and left a bride of two months, who was a year younger than he. The widow, the respondent in the present case, had occupied herself during her short married life with keeping house for her husband and father-in-law and had no trade or profession, having just started a course for kindergarten teachers.

After her husband was killed she had to leave the moshav and return to her parents' home.

The widow sued the State for compensation and was awarded IL80,000 in respect of "the pecuniary damage, actual or prospective" which she had suffered by the death of her husband. The District Court rejected the argument that her chances of remarrying in the near future should be taken into consideration in fixing compensation for her on the strength of the Supreme Court ruling in CA 14/68 (1 P.D. 23/771).

This argument was not pursued again in the appeal to the Supreme Court, where the issue centred on the question of whether the widow had been in duty bound to mitigate her loss by completing her interrupted studies as a kindergarten teacher and going out to work.

Mr. E. Nathan, Senior Assistant State Attorney, appeared for the appellant and Mr. M. Witkon for the respondent.

Justice Sussman, who delivered the first opinion of the Supreme Court, noted at the outset that when the Supreme Court had held that a young widow's prospects of remarrying may not be taken into account in assessing the amount of compensation payable to her in consequence of her husband's death, it had deviated from the principle followed by the English courts, but had followed in the footsteps of the courts of most of the states in the U.S. Since then, he continued, the English law had also been changed, with the enactment of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, of 1971, and in England, today, a widow's prospects of remarrying are not taken into account when assessing the compensation due to her from the wrongdoer in consequence of her husband's death.

Justice Sussman then went on to discuss the position in Israel in regard to a widow's obligation to mitigate her losses by going to work, noting that the law is that a widow has no obligation towards the wrongdoer to attempt to mitigate her losses (see Howitt v. Head, 1972, 2 W.L.R. 183).

## In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Civil Appeals

Before the Deputy President (Justice Sussman), Justices Landau and Kister.

State of Israel, Appellant v. Tova Friedman, Respondent (C.A. 624/71)

Widow not obliged to go out to work in order to reduce compensation

Justice Landau

In concurring that the appeal should be dismissed, Justice Landau said that it was only reasonable to think that in our days and in our society a young childless widow would go out to work. It might be asked, therefore, why the wrongdoer who had caused the death of her husband should be obliged to compensate a young widow to a greater extent only because she elected to remain idle, contrary to the practice in this country. However, anyone with this opinion would immediately be confronted with the problem of assessing the compensation due to the widow in view of the fact that it is also customary for married women to work in Israel and all the imponderables connected therewith would make it very difficult to make the necessary calculation.

Justice Kister

Justice Kister, in concurring that the appeal should be dismissed, pointed out that the decision of the Supreme Court was in fact based on the assumption that a wife is completely dependent upon her husband for her subsistence and was not in keeping with modern thought on the status of women or with reality in most families. However, this approach was the accepted one in civil wrong actions and he did not think it so far-fetched as to warrant changing the court-made law.

The basis for the assumption of dependence, Justice Kister continued, is to be found in the personal law applicable to Jews, in accordance with which a wife is entitled to be maintained by her husband. However, in accordance with both this personal law and with reality, a wife is not always completely dependent for her livelihood upon her husband, being in fact less dependent in reality than she is in law. This does not mean, however, he went on to hold, that there are not exceptional cases where the wife is completely dependent upon her husband. Furthermore, the fact that it is usual in Israel for a woman to work more than she is in duty

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bound to do in order to contribute towards the upkeep of the home does not indicate that it is right to just take this factor into account when assessing compensation for her. For truth to tell, amongst the lower income groups and particularly those with large families, the principle of equality of labour between men and women often leads to discrimination against the woman, who in addition to doing outside work in order to contribute to the family budget, also has in the natural course of events, to bear most of the burden of rearing the children and running the home. Justice demands, therefore, that a woman should not be required to work for a living to the same extent as her husband does — a conclusion which has been reached even in the Soviet Union, where the principle of equality of labour was always regarded as sacrosanct (see Reports of the U.S.S.R.).

As to the appellant's argument that the pension rights of widows in several social laws are found in accordance with the age of the widow, it should be remembered, Justice Sussman held, that widows' pensions and benefits are linked to the amount of premium paid by the deceased during his lifetime, and do not usually amount to more than an absolute minimum, whereas compensation for a civil wrong is based on the principle that the wronged person must be restored to the same financial position which he would have been but for the wrong done to him. In other words, the aims of the respective enactments is different and hence the methods of calculating the amounts payable are different.

The appeal should, therefore, be dismissed.

He was also prepared to concede, Justice Kister continued, that the National Insurance Law fixed pensions or benefits for widows in a more realistic manner. But it must be recalled that this is one of the social benefit laws and grants under it are not linked to any person's wrongdoing. These laws must, therefore, be distinguished from the law of tort.

In conclusion, Justice Kister noted that when compensation is paid in advance in a lump sum it is very difficult to know whether it is just; but in any event he did not think the sum of IL80,000 awarded to the respondent, was excessive. In view of the fact that she had also lost her home (which was returned automatically without any remuneration to the moshav upon the death of her husband) and would have to spend an appreciable sum of money in order to acquire another home, as she could not be expected to go on living with her parents.

Appeal dismissed with IL2,000 costs. Judgment given on April 30, 1972.

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# Special care welfare project means small change for better

By Lea Levavi  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — The father is often childish, irresponsible and aggressive; the mother disorganized, neglected and helpless in caring for home and family. The question is whether to leave children in such an environment, or take them out of the home and "save what can be saved."

The social workers who have to make that difficult decision used to think institutional care was better than poor home environment — but there were some whose consciences bothered them. Even the best institutions create what the professionals call "an institutional personality," besides, perhaps the home situation could be improved if workers could devote more time to each family. A social worker with a 300-family caseload could not give the needed help. Could one with a 12- or 15-family caseload give it?

Malka Biberfeld, a social worker from a family of Hassidic rabbis who believes that social work is just a sophisticated continuation of what the rabbi used to do, tried such an experiment three years ago. After a long absence from work, Mrs. Biberfeld — who had previously worked with children and youth — returned to the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipality's Social Welfare Department when she was promised a small, selected caseload of very problematic families. Results were encouraging, and five more workers (including immigrants from Argentina and the U.S.) were brought in to form the Special Care Section, which Mrs. Biberfeld now coordinates.

The wife of a yeshiva director and mother of a yeshiva student — Mrs. Biberfeld has till now hesitated to discuss her work with the press; this is the first time she has consented to publish the programme. (She was even more modest about herself; only after persistent questioning did she speak of her own background. She came to Israel "many years ago" and stu-

died social work at Tel Aviv University.) Her work is not dramatic, she explained, and she is afraid journalists will try to dramatize it, or to create glorious success stories which have no basis in fact. For her and her staff, "success" means small changes for the better — or at least no changes for the worse. For example, one family receiving treatment consisted of a father who was never at home, a disturbed mother and three (surprisingly normal and intelligent) little girls.

Though the father, when he appeared, was aggressive, and though the house and family were neglected, the worker was impressed by the closeness between mother and daughters. It was decided to try to keep the mother and children together unless and until there was simply no choice.

### Time to talk

The worker visited the family once a week and had time — unlike the overburdened worker at the welfare office — for long, seemingly informal, but actually firmly directed discussions. "The mother became so close to me that she once asked why I didn't come to visit her aside from work. I told her that even though this is my work I still considered our meeting friendly visits."

Slowly, things began to change; though, Mrs. Biberfeld emphasized, the changes were small. One day, the mother announced that she was going to take the eldest daughter for a hair-cut, something she never had done before.

But the story did not have a happy ending. The mother ultimately needed care in a mental institution and the girls had to be institutionalized after all. "I asked myself whether we really had done any good. Maybe my visits had given the girls too much hope of having a real family life like their friends. But then again, the extra year at home was a happy one for them, one more than they would have had if we hadn't become involved."

A happier experience was that of a divorced woman with a five-year-old child, who had returned to her

parents' home where she was under pressure to give up the child. The family feared she would not find a new husband, or that her unmarried sisters' chances of finding husbands would be ruined if boy-friends knew they had a divorced sister with a child.

The worker first convinced the divorcee to learn a trade — sewing. Once she had a good job, her status in the family, and her self-respect, started to grow. Then the worker began coming in the evenings and holding family discussions. Slowly she convinced the family that divorce is no shame, and that there was no reason for this to affect the other sisters. Meanwhile, two sisters became engaged and the divorcee made their bridal gowns.

"One of the sisters said that what made her sad about getting married was that she would no longer be living with her nephew. This is the same child who almost tore the family apart." The boy, who seems not to have suffered from the family tensions, is with his mother, and the worker is slowly reducing her own contact with the family. One of the most important functions in these cases is to re-establish communication between members of the family. When the worker begins making evening visits, family members each talk to the worker, not to each other. In time, however, they begin talking to each other even when the worker is not there. "We work with the children as well, but to our surprise in many cases the children themselves don't have problems."

### Well-known

So far, only families from the bottom of the socio-economic ladder — those well-known to welfare officers — are served. Even in this group, careful selection is made because there are only five workers each handling a maximum of 15 families. Mrs. Biberfeld is sure, however, that many families from much higher strata also could use such help. "But they won't come to us, because the public image is still of the social worker who deals with the poor."

She would also like to see her "special care" become routine social work procedure — with caseworkers giving good service to small group of clients rather than insufficient help to large numbers. But this would require many more social workers and much more money — and neither are available.

Though richer countries have not reached such utopian social work conditions, Mrs. Biberfeld believes Israel must try. "It isn't only a humanitarian problem; our very future is at stake. More than half the children in this country come from large families from Oriental backgrounds, and too many of these families are already third-generation welfare recipients. We can't comfort ourselves by saying we cannot afford to solve the problem, because we can't afford to run away from the problem."



Mrs. Florette Cohen and Mr. Samuel Sabah with Dr. Arie Durst before they left Hadassah.

## Transplants

TWO Jerusalemites, Mrs. Florette Cohen, a 35-year-old housewife and mother of three children, and Mr. Samuel Sabah, 50, a post-office bank cashier, who has six children and three grandchildren, recently returned to their families after each of them had received a new kidney at the Hadassah University Hospital in Jerusalem.

Mrs. Cohen and Mr. Sabah were unknown to each other previously, but both had reached a point of final kidney dysfunction and had been obliged to have recourse to dialysis. Twice a week they came to the Hadassah University Hospital in Jerusalem for dialysis treatment with an artificial kidney machine.

### Donation

In January of this year, a patient died in Hadassah Hospital after a road accident and his family agreed to donate both his kidneys in order to save the lives of two other patients. The family of the dead man requested that this donation be kept anonymous.

The blood type of the deceased matched that of both Mrs. Cohen and Mr. Sabah.

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Two teams of surgeons, anaesthetists and nurses, in all 15 persons, headed by Dr. Arie Durst, of the Surgical Department of Hadassah, carried out the double transplant. The operation lasted more than eight hours.

## Sex education

### symposium here in July

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — The first international symposium devoted solely to sex education will be held from July 2 through July 7 at the Sheraton Hotel.

"This is the first time that such a symposium has concentrated on sex education, until now sex education has only been a sidelight of other international conferences devoted to other problems," states Dr. Moshe Lancet, head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Hadassah Medical School. Dr. Emmanuel Chigier, Director of the Medical Services of Youth Aliya, is the secretary of the organizing Committee, which includes: Professor J. Medalie, of Tel Aviv University, Dr. A. Bloch, of Ashkelon; Dr. Z. Segal, of Haifa, and Mrs. Ada

## DEAR SAINT IN LENINGRAD

By David Nagy

MOSCOW (UPI). — A young woman circles the unmarked grave in Leningrad, quietly praying. Then she drops a wad of paper on the limestone tiles and walks off.

A Russian newspaper reporter, lurking nearby to get material for an article on superstitious rites, picks up the paper and reads the message scrawled upon it. It says: "Dear Saint, please help me get a room with a balcony."

Other messages also litter the gravesite. They say: "Dear Saint, please help me pass my exams." "Dear Saint, please cure my husband of alcoholism."

What is going on here, in this Leningrad cemetery, in this 56th year of Soviet power?

Rites of adoration and appeals to "St. Lady-in-Waiting," a religious folklore figure who has been giving the authorities headaches since Catherine the Great's day.

A recent issue of "Science and Religion" newspaper, a periodical that espouses Soviet atheist doctrine and debunks spiritual faith, zeroed in on "St. Lady-in-Waiting" as an example of the "religious superstition" that lingers on in odd corners of Russian life.

What alarms "Science and Religion" is that in this case it is not confined to elderly women, who the Soviets are prepared to shrug off as the fading guardians of Russian Orthodoxy.

"One can sometimes see young women, teenagers and even children circling and praying around the unmarked plot," it complained. According to popular legend, "St. Lady-in-Waiting" started life as a beautiful member of Catherine's court named Anna Ivanovna Lukashchev.

### Jilted

Early on, the legend goes, some cad of a military officer jilted Anna and sent her reeling out into the night to commit suicide. A body was found in a snowbank on a Neva River island.

Years later, though, an old crome showed up in the local market place and established a reputation among high-born and low as a sage and miracle healer. Hysterical crowds mobbed her regularly, snatching bits of her clothing and even her hair as "healing relics."

Police picked her up. She would any help. Nobody gets a reply to not say who she was, but she had his requests.

a mysterious noble bearing and she could speak English and German, in the noble manner.

You guessed it. Somebody remembered the yarn about the jilted Lady-in-Waiting who disappeared into the snowstorm and "St. Lady-in-Waiting" was born. The Leningrad public got her body when she died and built a little wooden chapel over her grave, where believers made pilgrimages for more than 60 years until the Bolshevik revolution put a stop to it, or tried to.

The chapel was torn down. The pilgrimages became politically unwise. "The grave itself was washed out by underground waters, collapsed and disappeared," or so says "Science and Religion."

But still they come, to a gravesite dated only by legend. "Nobody gets any satisfaction," scoffs the newspaper. "Nobody gets any help. Nobody gets a reply to his requests."

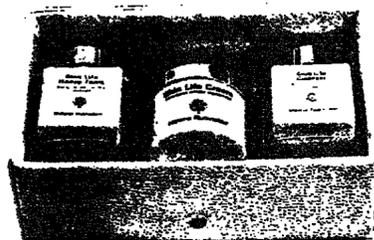
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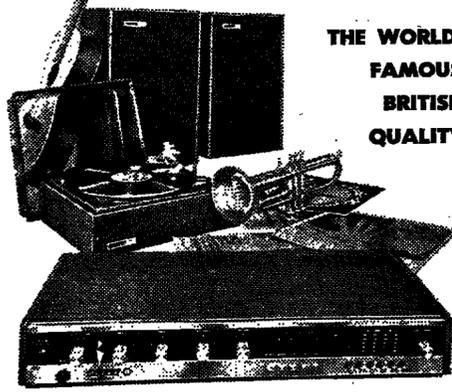
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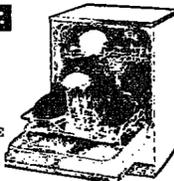
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ADMON ADV.



# 'Time ripe' for party activity in E. J'lem

Shmuel Toledano, the Prime Minister's adviser on Arab affairs, believes that "the time is now ripe for party political activity in East Jerusalem. Certain circles among the Arab residents of the city would like to participate in such activity." This viewpoint is completely contrary to that expressed last Thursday by Jerusalem's Mayor, Teddy Kohn.

Mr. Toledano made his statement in an interview with "Bama'ot," the organ of the Jerusalem Labour Council, which will publish a special issue this week to mark five years of a united Jerusalem.

"I have no doubt that the Arabs of East Jerusalem are convinced that the current situation in the city is permanent, and therefore they are seeking ways to accommodate themselves to this reality. Integration in the political plans is one of the ways," Mr. Toledano continued.

He said that he is not convinced that political activity in the eastern part of the city would also bring the Rakah (New Communist) party onto the scene, because Rakah doesn't recognize the unification of the city. However, he did note that when he refers to party political activity in East Jerusalem, he means all parties — not just one party.

In reply to a question by interviewer Israel Cohen, the Prime Minister's adviser expressed the hope that a proposed law to enable the residents of East Jerusalem to receive compensation for property which they owned in Israel (and not only in West Jerusalem) would be tabled in the Knesset in the coming months.

Mr. Toledano pointed out that "dozens of residents of East Jerusalem requested and received Israeli citizenship. The Government won't force citizenship upon them; it is a matter of free choice."

## Allon returns from U.S. talks

LOD AIRPORT. — U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers has assured Israel that a settlement between Israel and Jordan is "our own business," Deputy Premier Yigal Alon said on Friday.

Mr. Alon, returning from the U.S., said he "couldn't agree with that more: I think this should apply to all the other countries involved in the Middle East dispute."

Mr. Alon also noted that, in his belief, the peace talks between the Middle East, not in the U.S. The Middle East problem will not be a top priority item at the forthcoming Moscow talks between Nixon and the Russians, he said, but the subject will be discussed. "My impression is that the U.S. administration is more than satisfied with the stability currently prevailing in the region, as opposed to the tragedy taking place in Southeast Asia."

In the Deputy Premier's opinion, the current trouble in Vietnam will push the Americans into strengthening their democratic allies in other parts of the world.

The "Allon Plan" for the West Bank was discussed, Mr. Alon said, because "Mr. Rogers wanted for once to hear about it from the horse's mouth. However, I made it quite clear to him that this was not an official plan of the Israeli Government, and all the criticism which was raised here on this point was totally unjustified." (Ism)

## Students call general strike from Monday

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The National Students Union has declared a general strike as of tomorrow. The Union is objecting to a proposal to raise tuition fees from IL900 a year to IL2,500.

According to the Ministry of Education, money should be raised from well-to-do students who can afford to pay about IL3,000 a year, the estimated cost of a "cheap" student. Instead of subsidizing them, the Ministry argues, extra money should be raised in order to offer mass cheap loans to poorer students, who find university studies a great financial burden.

Student spokesmen said in Tel Aviv on Friday that they will fight the proposal of the Niv committee on tuition fees tooth and nail, and added, "If the Government needs extra money, let them raise it from Vered and Autocars — not from students."

The students held a two-hour strike last Wednesday. Meanwhile, faculty members at the Hebrew University have been carrying on a quiet little strike of their own. They have been refusing to sit on committees or to do any administrative work until their pension schemes are equalized with those in other universities.

## Knesset c'ttee lacks tools for job—Zadok

TEL AVIV. — Members of the important Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee lack the necessary tools with which to examine possibilities of making the defence establishment's operations more efficient and economical. This was stated on Friday by the committee's chairman, Mr. Haim Zadok, M.K., speaking at a meeting sponsored by the Israel Management Centre at the Basle Hotel here.

Mr. Zadok stressed that he was not minimizing the value of the existing means used within the defence establishment itself. But defence establishment itself, to improve the research and control tools needed outside the defence establishment.

The Knesset and its committees needed experts and better research methods to enable it to deal more effectively with the areas under its jurisdiction, Mr. Zadok said. He suggested, as one solution, hiring former senior army officers and experts who have the experience and know-how and are familiar with the workings of the defence establishment.

## E. J'lem hotel staff win higher wages

A labour dispute which was due to lead to a strike at the Christ Church hotel in East Jerusalem was settled on Friday, after the intervention of the Prime Minister's adviser on Arab affairs.

The workers' demand that their wages be equalized with those of the hotel employees in the rest of the country was met by the hotel's owners, the Anglican Church, after the Prime Minister's Office entered the negotiations. The workers' demands had been supported by the Jerusalem Labour Council.

## Play fund for J'lem Theatre

Mr. Sam Spiegel, the U.S. film producer, has informed Mayor Teddy Kohn of Jerusalem that he will donate an annual prize of \$1,000 to the Jerusalem Theatre, presented at the Jerusalem Theatre. Mr. Spiegel will also underwrite part of the production costs of the plays, to the amount of \$2,500 annually, on condition that the City matches this contribution, the municipal spokesman announced.

# Hoteliers negotiate 'import' of trained hotel workers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Ministry of Tourism has started discussions on a request by the country's hoteliers to permit the import of a limited number of trained hotel employees from abroad.

Tourism Minister Moshe Kol told the Maritime and Economics Club here on Friday that he hoped to be able to announce results of the negotiations shortly, with a view to easing the heavy pressure on tourism services brought about by the shortage of labour in Israel. He added that, at the same time, the Ministry is making efforts to enlist more trainees for the tourism industry. This would include setting up funds to help the trainees through courses and find them housing.

There are also plans to open tourism in high schools in Haifa and Acre, available loans will remain at 60 per cent of the total investment; while, for the higher-grade hotels (four and five stars), the ceiling is now 55 per cent. (The ceilings were reduced to 40 per cent in Jerusalem and to 35 per cent in the Dan region.)

For the Caesarea-Rosh Hanikra, except for Acre but including Nahariya), the size of the available loans has in fact been raised from 50 to 55 per cent for four- and

Mr. Kol noted that the Jordan River bridges were recently opened for foreign tourists as a result of Libya's unwillingness to grant financial aid to Jordan.

The tourists, whose major objective is Israel, have been making use of the opportunity to visit Jordan and other Arab states as well, he said.

"I do not begrudge King Hussein the income he is getting from this tourism. Indeed I hope the Lebanon will soon follow his example," he added.

five-star hotels, and from 50 to 60 per cent for popular-priced hotels.

Mr. Kol said his Ministry was now working to increase cruise-ship tourism to Israel. These vessels are especially welcome because they need no hotel accommodations — the passengers stay overnight on the ships. Statistics compiled for the Ministry also show that these visitors spend more per day than "sleep-in" tourists. Furthermore, 80 per cent of the cruise tourists are non-Jews, who are particularly interested in visiting the Christian holy sites, many of which (in Galilee) are easily accessible from Haifa. He hoped that it would be possible to have the ships sail from Haifa to Ashdod in the future, to pick up their passengers quicker on their return to Jerusalem.

He noted that, during 1971, a total of 45 cruise ships had brought 40,000 one-to-four-day tourists to Haifa, as against only 22,000 the year before. He expected the number to rise to 50,000 this year. Mr. Kol also noted that the British luxury liner Queen Elizabeth II would call for a three-week stay next year (as first reported by The Post last month).

# Shippers demand end to congestion surcharges

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Shippers Council, representing the importers and exporters, called on Zim and the shipping conferences Friday to cancel the congestion surcharges immediately, as the congestion in Haifa and Ashdod ports has been over-come. For the first time in nearly six months no general cargo freighters were waiting in either port.

The congestion surcharges, which were first levied on January 10 and have since been adjusted upwards and down again, now stand at 15 per cent on imports and 10 per cent on exports. So far, they have cost the economy about IL25m.

Council secretary Arye Mehual also noted that the storage situation in Haifa had greatly improved, which also helps to ease congestion. Several thousand tons of cargo have been transferred to bonded warehouses, and the Council has made an urgent appeal to the major importers to clear their goods immediately.

In view of the improvement, the Council has appealed to the head of the Ports Authority to cancel the 50 per cent storage surcharge which was to have been introduced as a 60-day emergency measure, to help clear Haifa's clogged sheds.

The Zim spokesman told The Post that the management had asked the conferences to cancel the surcharge and that an answer is expected tomorrow. However, in view of last week's wildcat strikes in Haifa, and the danger that more strikes and labour unrest may be in the offing, the conferences are wary of effecting the cancellation forthwith.

Meanwhile, the Italian exhibit for the "Modern Living" fair in Tel Aviv has arrived in Ashdod. The exhibit, which arrived on board the Italian passenger liner s.s. Enotria last Tuesday, could not be off-loaded because of a wildcat strike by the Haifa Port stevedores. It was off-loaded in Cyprus and transhipped (in good time) for the opening of the fair on May 23. A small part of the exhibit that could not be unloaded in Cyprus will arrive on the Enotria's sister ship, s.s. Messapia, on Tuesday.

## Customs swoop on m.s. Dan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Customs men in Haifa Port foiled yet another smuggling attempt by crew members of the passenger ferry m.s. Dan, which arrived on Friday morning. Several thousand pounds worth of contraband was confiscated, and a number of men were held for questioning. In the past few months, there have been several customs raids on this vessel.

In a dividing wall between two crew cabins the customs men, who made a search of the ship, discovered 14,000 razor blades; 300 pairs of stockings and a large number of playing cards.

At the port gates the customs men also discovered dozens of pieces of contraband clothing worn under their other clothes by crew members and their relatives who came to welcome them.

## Ashkelon Mayor Rehavya Adivi dead at 73

ASHKELON. — The Mayor of Ashkelon, Mr. Rehavya Adivi, died at the local hospital here yesterday after a long illness. The funeral will take place at 2 p.m. today at the old cemetery at Ashkelon.

Born in Russia in 1899, his parents sent him to Palestine at the age of eight. He settled in Ashkelon in 1950 and was one of the founders of Afridar, where he was also chairman of the citizens' committee. He served as manager of Ashkelon's own citizens' bank, and later as the manager of Bank Leumi in town.

In 1965 he led a Gahal list to a formidable victory in the municipal elections, and he became mayor of the town — a fitting reward for what most people considered a personal victory for the popular bank manager. In 1969, at the age of 70, he led Gahal to another victory, taking seven of the 15 municipal seats in a town which voted solidly for the Alignment in the Knesset elections.

The hier will lie in state at the Town Hall in Afridar from 10 a.m. this morning, before setting out for the cemetery at 2 p.m.

Mr. Adivi is survived by his wife Lina, his daughter Varda, and three grandchildren. (Ism)



Therese Halaseh speaking with the O/C Central Command in hospital Thursday. (I.P.P.A.)

# GIRL HIJACKER WANTS TO 'CONVERT TO JUDAISM'

Therese — "Tirza" — Halaseh, the girl terrorist wounded in the Israeli recapture of the hijacked Sabena airliner last Tuesday, says she wants to convert to Judaism.

"Now that I have been given Jewish blood (from transfusions), I want to become Jewish. I have always liked Jews... Even in the Fatah they said I was partial to the Jews," Therese told the O/C Central Command, Aluf Rehavam Ze'evi, who visited her and the other wounded passengers at the Sheba Hospital Thursday.

(The first reactions from the Rabinists indicated the conversion would be difficult, if not impossible.)

Therese's conversation with the Aluf Ze'evi was reported on Friday by the "Ha'aretz" military correspondent, Ze'ev Schiff.

Therese was sitting up in her bed when the general and his party came in, "to see how she was doing." Her left arm was bandaged (a bullet had entered her armpit and torn a major artery). A plastic surgeon had been called in to stitch another wound under her left eye — "So you'll remain pretty," Aluf Ze'evi commented.

The 13-year-old girl — who literally held the lives of 100 people in her hands for nearly 24 hours — smiled pleasantly.

Therese talked freely — in excellent Hebrew — her memory failing her only when the conversation touched "unpleasant" points. She said she was born in Rama, a village in the Galilee, the fourth daughter of Greek Orthodox parents. Her family now lives in Acre, where her father works at the Nautical College.

She said she crossed the border into Lebanon last November with another girl and a male friend. They lived in the apartment of a man called Abu Jaber, near Beirut, for three months, she said.

## 'GO OUT ON A JOB'

"Then one day they told me I had to go out on a job," she said. "They didn't say where. The other girl (Rima Issa) I had met before, but not the two men. The commander was called Yussuf, and the other man — from Hebron — was Zacharia."

"Where did you go?" Aluf Ze'evi asked.

"To Rome, by Luftanssa."

"Where you searched?"

"No. We had all the weapons concealed in travelling bags and in special girdles. From Rome we flew to Frankfurt, again by Luftanssa. We had the weapons on us all the time. Then we went to Belgium."

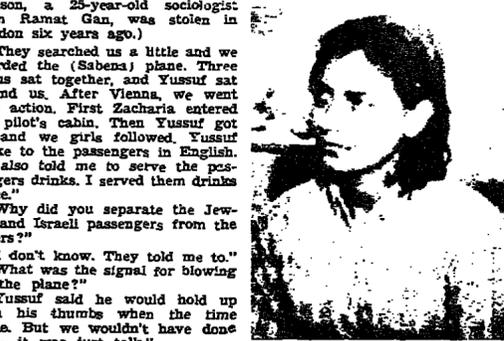
Speaking like a tourist just returned from a pleasure jaunt abroad, Therese said the hijackers had spent three days and three nights in Belgium, shopping, dining at expensive restaurants and dancing in the evenings.

Asked if they shared the same hotel room, Therese replied, "No, we split up into couples. Zacharia and I in one room, and my girlfriend and Yussuf (Captain Rafat) in another."

"Why did you do this?" Aluf Ze'evi asked innocently, adding, "Not that I'm preaching or anything — I'm just curious."

"That's how the men wanted it. But I swear we didn't do anything. We even separated the twin beds."

Therese said she was travelling under the name Miriam Hasson. But she claimed she didn't know what kind of passport she was using — Zacharia kept it all the time. (An Israeli passport issued to Miriam



The second girl hijacker, Rima Issa Tannous, being interviewed over Israel Television in her jail cell on Thursday evening. The interview was reported in Friday's Post. (Weiss)

## President toasts plane liberators



Reception at Beit Hanassi for the men who freed the hijacked Sabena jet. From left to right: Aluf Ze'evi, Mrs. Shazar, the President, Rav-Aluf Elazar, Aluf Yarov. The soldiers who took part in the operation were photographed from the rear to preserve their anonymity, for security reasons.

President Shazar on Friday expressed the nation's gratitude to the soldiers and El Al personnel who played the major role in liberating the hijacked Sabena airliner at Lod Airport last Tuesday. Two of the four "Black September" hijackers were killed, and two — both women — were captured.

The men were introduced to the President and Mrs. Shazar by the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar, in the presence of the Chief Intelligence Aluf Aharon Yarov, and the O/C Central Command, Aluf Rehavam Ze'evi.

After raising a toast to the men, the President said that surrender to the hijackers would have led to future disasters throughout the world and would endanger Israel's communications with the entire world. "In your action you demonstrated resourcefulness and daring — and turned a day of anxiety into a day of rejoicing," Mr. Shazar told the men.

The President announced that henceforth a stipend bearing his name would be given annually by the Jerusalem Municipality to a soldier selected by the Chief of Staff.

# RED CROSS CHARGES

(Continued from Page 1)

tion, we had every reason to believe that force would not be used." Move that force would not be used."

Asked what reasons the I.O.R.C. had for believing this, he replied: "We had seen a news dispatch from Agency France Press which stated clearly that Mrs. Golda Meir had told the Israeli Cabinet there would be no use of force."

Mr. Kuhn said the Red Cross chief delegate in Tel Aviv had delivered a verbal protest to the Israeli Government about its action and a written protest would shortly be delivered.

Asked what response the Red Cross expected from Israel now the hijacked plane had been released, he said: "I cannot comment on this because we now enter the realm of speculation."

The spokesman also refused to say whether the Red Cross considered that the events at Lod last week would handicap the humanitarian work of the organization in the future.

But he hinted that Red Cross officials operating in Arab countries were now exposed to danger as a result of the storming of the Sabena.

"We have not received any threats directly in Geneva. But, without giving any names, I can tell you giving any names, I can tell you that our people have been threatened," he said.

Reuters reports that the Red Cross is now to review its position in hijacking cases, following the Sabena affair.

An I.C.R.C. spokesman said in Geneva yesterday that as Red Cross guidelines for intervention in hi-

acking were outside the scope of the Geneva Conventions of 1949, the committee felt "completely free to decide a new kind of policy for interventions."

It would be discussed by the Committee in the near future and any new policy adopted would be made public.

In a recorded interview transmitted by Israel Radio yesterday, Mr. Kuhn referred to Mr. Dayan's statement, saying he had heard of it "and wanted to adopt no attitude towards it."

In the I.C.R.C.'s opinion, its confidence had been abused "because it had been given assurances (con- tary to Mr. Dayan's statement) that while mediation efforts were underway, no force would be used."

Mr. Kuhn said the I.C.R.C. had functioned at the scene with the explicit agreement of both parties, and what the Palestinian he referred to as the "commandos." He pointed out that the I.C.R.C. delegates had agreed to come to the aid of innocent people threatened with death.

The intervention of the I.C.R.C. as armed forces had therefore come as a total surprise, Mr. Kuhn said, implying that the Red Cross had actually been serving as a third-party negotiator. He added, "We cannot permit that anyone should exploit our humanitarian action for military or political purposes."

A written protest would be sent to Israel from Geneva, he said. "All I can tell you at this phase is that this is the attitude taken by the organization." The Red Cross Executive would not fail to draw

its own conclusions from the incident as far as the future was concerned, he said.

Mr. Kuhn pointed out that there was no regulation or clause in any of the Red Cross conventions binding on it to intervene in incidents of this kind.

Aviation reporter Zeev Sehul, comments:

"I would refer Mr. Kuhn to Article 34, Section one, of the Fourth Geneva Convention and/or the Civilian Convention of August 12, 1949, which 'prohibits in particular the taking of hostages.'"

A subsequent paragraph also scores "outrages upon personal dignity or degrading treatment founded on differences of race or religion."

Possibly the Red Cross delegates were too outraged to check the facts, but one of the first things the terrorists did was to ask the non-Jews among the passengers to identify themselves.

The "Palestinian commandos" do not fit into any conception of an internationally recognized resistance movement (in the absence of all identifying badges or emblems). They do not fall into any category of L.C.R.C. protected persons or those protected by the Hague Conventions (unless they are individually displaced persons, i.e. civilians).

They are, by all standards, closer to the legal status of pirates certainly liable to be shot dead without warning, as some hijackers have been, while trying to take possession of aircraft both east and west of the Iron Curtain.

## Jewish activists here from Soviet

LOD AIRPORT. — A large group of immigrants from the Soviet Union, including a number of leading activists in the struggle for Jewish emigration — arrived here Friday morning.

The group included Vladimir Machliss, 23, whose brother Leonid recently conducted a hunger strike in New York on his behalf.

Another arrival was Boris Krasnii, 25, who said that the Soviet authorities were continuing their intimidation campaign against Jews who want to leave. He said that as a result of recent arrests carried out at the synagogue in Kiev, many young Jews were now afraid to go there. (Ism)

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Relatives hesitant to claim hijacker's body

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
The authorities were yesterday seeking further details on the Sabena hijack leader, Ali Tahar Awad, "Captain Rafal".

hijacker recalled that, prior to the 1967 war, the Jordanian authorities had sought him for various acts of violence.

Belgians after terrorists' accomplices

The Belgians have started an extensive search for the accomplices of the four hijackers, whom they believe are still in Belgium.



Mrs. Norbert Schmelzer, wife of the Dutch Foreign Minister, cuts the ribbon at a ceremony dedicating Holland Square on the summit of Mount Herzl in Jerusalem on Friday.

Dutch F.M. winds up talks in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Dutch Foreign Minister Norbert Schmelzer held his second and final working session with Abba Eban at the Foreign Ministry on Friday morning.

T.A. Maccabi ups lead in dull weekend play

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi, 1:0 winner over Shimshon, yesterday extended its lead at the top of the National Football League to four points.

to 13th place, after being in the championship race early in the season, following yesterday's 1:1 draw with bottom-of-the-league Bnei Yehuda.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FOOTBALL RESULTS

Table with 2 columns: Team, Score. Includes Tel Aviv Betar 0, Hadera Hapoel 0, Tel Aviv Hapoel 1, Bnei Yehuda 1, Tel Aviv Maccabi 1, Shimshon 0, Hafia Hapoel 1, Jerusalem Hapoel 0, Beitar Tlva Hapoel 0, Hafia Hapoel 0, Netanya Maccabi 0, Kfar Saba Hapoel 0, Jaffa Maccabi 1.

LEAGUE "A" NORTH

Table with 2 columns: Team, Goals. Includes Parah Tikva Maccabi 0, Ramat Gan Hapoel 0, Maccabi Yehuda 1, Hapoel 1, Nahel Hapoel 3, Kfar Yona Hapoel 1, Nazareth Hapoel 1, Netanya Hapoel 1, Migdal Hapoel 1, Hapoel 0, Beitar Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 2, Hafia Hapoel 2, Kfar Haim Hapoel 0, Acre Hapoel 1, Kiryat Shmona Hapoel 1, Tzurim Hapoel 1, Kiryat Shmona Hapoel 1.

LEAGUE "A" SOUTH

Table with 2 columns: Team, Goals. Includes Hafia Hapoel 0, Hafia Hapoel 0, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1, Hafia Hapoel 1.

STANDINGS (23 GAMES)

Table with 3 columns: Rank, Team, Points. Includes Tel Aviv Maccabi 23, Jerusalem Betar 22, Beitar Tlva Hapoel 21, Hafia Hapoel 20, Netanya Maccabi 19, Jerusalem Hapoel 18, Beitar Tlva Hapoel 17, Kfar Saba Hapoel 16, Be'er Sheva Hapoel 15, Hafia Hapoel 14, Hafia Hapoel 13, Hafia Hapoel 12, Hafia Hapoel 11, Hafia Hapoel 10, Hafia Hapoel 9, Hafia Hapoel 8, Hafia Hapoel 7, Hafia Hapoel 6, Hafia Hapoel 5, Hafia Hapoel 4, Hafia Hapoel 3, Hafia Hapoel 2, Hafia Hapoel 1.

Search for escaped terrorist continues

ASEKELON. — Police and security forces continued their two-day fruitless search over the weekend for Ahmed Ghazala Mahmud Alwan, the Gaza Strip terrorist who escaped from Ashkelon prison last Wednesday night.

New ministry advocated in Youth Commission's report

By SUSAN BELLOS
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Mrs. Golda Meir was presented on Friday with the final report of the Prime Minister's Commission on Youth, which started its work a year ago, just after the first Black Panther demonstrations.

retarded youth — be placed in the sole charge of the Ministry of Education and taken out of the hands of the Ministries of Welfare and Health (among other agencies).

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compliance with a terrorist request. There had been worldwide acclaim of the successful operation and it was certainly a more satisfying state of affairs than it would have been were those responsible still at the present time thinking how to extricate the hapless passengers, crew and their plane from their continuing predicament.

France to help Israel in WHO

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
France is among the countries which have promised to help Israel block an Arab-initiated move to have Israel virtually expelled from the World Health Organization.

Meir bid in canning dispute

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Elizadrut but with someone else altogether," Mr. Ben-Aharon declared.

He pointed out that both the Food Workers Union and the Canning Workers Association notified the Minister and his labour mediator officer a fortnight ago of their impending strike within the terms of this law.

Dentist sets archery record

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
KFAR MASARYK. — Dr. Yosi Kohn, a Hafia dental surgeon, yesterday achieved a new Israeli record in the official F.I.T.A. (International Archery Federation) round of an Israeli Archery Association tournament here.

DAVIDMAN MAKES TENNIS COMEBACK

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Israel's long-time tennis champion, Eliazar Davidman of Tel Aviv Maccabi, yesterday pulled off the biggest success to date in his comeback attempt, after years of ill health.

BETTERBALL GOLF

CABEREA. — Yesterday's Betterball Medal golf competition was won by Rina Adler and Barbara Cohen, both of Hafia, with a net 63.

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David Krivine, our Economic Reporter, adds:
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Beirut report unconfirmed that Pimen's visit is off

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent
No official word was received in Jerusalem yesterday to confirm a report from Beirut (carried by Associated Press) that the head of the Russian Orthodox Church, Patriarch Pimen of Moscow, had cancelled his projected visit to Israel later this week.

Russian Government Dlyushin aircraft on Wednesday for an eight-day stay. Pimen is accompanied by a party of 17 churchmen and interpreters.

A great deal of preparation went into the visit, including an official Russian request, via the Finnish Embassy in Tel Aviv, for landing rights for the Dlyushin at Lod. (No Russian plane has landed at Lod since 1967.)

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